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INTRODUCTION.

Victoria is situated at the south-eastern extremity of the Australian continent of which it occupies about a thirty-fourth part, and contains about 87,884 square miles. It lies approximately between the 34th and 39th parallels of south latitude and the 141st and 150th meridians of east longitude. Its greatest length from east to west is about 493 miles, its greatest breadth about 290 miles and its extent of coast-line (including the length around Port Phillip Bay, Western Port, and Corner Inlet) 980 miles. It is bounded on the north and north-east by New South Wales from which it is separated by the River Murray and by a straight line in a south-easterly direction from a place near the head-waters of that stream, called The Springs, to Cape Howe. On the west it is bounded by South Australia and on the south and south-east its shores are washed by the Southern Ocean, Bass Strait, and the Pacific Ocean.

The climate of Victoria is characterized by warm summers, rather cold winters, and rain in all months. Mean temperatures in midsummer (January) range from 65 deg. (Fahr.) in the south to 75 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west, corresponding means of daily maxima being 80 deg. (Fahr.) in the south and 90 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west. In midwinter (July) the mean temperature is generally below 50 deg. (Fahr.), mean of the night minima being below 40 deg. (Fahr.).

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STATISTICS OF VICTORIA

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

VICTORIA—POPULATION.

| Period. | Victoria. | | | Melbourne and Suburbs. |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| | Males. | Females. | Total. | |
| Census— | | | | |
| 1901 (31st March) | 603,720 | 597,350 | 1,201,070 | 496,079 |
| 1911 (3rd April) | 655,591 | 659,960 | 1,315,551 | 593,237 |
| 1921 (4th April) | 754,724 | 776,556 | 1,531,280 | 782,979 |
| 1933 (30th June) | 903,244 | 917,017 | 1,820,261 | 991,934 |
| 1947 (30th June) | 1,013,867 | 1,040,834 | 2,054,701 | 1,226,409 |
| 1954 (30th June) (a) .. | 1,228,974 | 1,219,723 | 2,448,697 | (b) 1,522,930 |
| At 31st December (estimated)— | | | | |
| 1949 | 1,073,298 | 1,091,033 | 2,164,331 | 1,290,400 |
| 1950 | 1,116,962 | 1,114,294 | 2,231,256 | 1,326,400 |
| 1951 | 1,152,772 | 1,138,582 | 2,291,354 | 1,360,200 |
| 1952 | 1,192,644 | 1,164,179 | 2,356,823 | 1,393,000 |
| 1953 | 1,214,862 | 1,190,434 | 2,405,296 | 1,426,500 |

(a) Census Field Count and may be subject to considerable amendment on completion of tabulation.

(b) Area of Melbourne and Suburbs was re-defined for statistical purposes as from 1st January, 1954.

VICTORIA—MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS.

| Period. | Number of— | | | | Rate per 1,000 of Population (a) | | | Infantile Mortality. |
|---------------------------|------------|---------|---------|------------------------|---|--------|--------|----------------------|
| | Marriages. | Births. | Deaths. | Deaths under One Year. | Marriage. | Birth. | Death. | |
| Year ended 31st December— | | | | | | | | |
| 1949 | 20,066 | 46,873 | 21,991 | 1,026 | 9·38 | 21·92 | 10·28 | 21·89 |
| 1950 | 20,320 | 49,830 | 22,341 | 1,001 | 9·22 | 22·61 | 10·14 | 20·09 |
| 1951 | 21,117 | 50,553 | 23,446 | 1,143 | 9·31 | 22·28 | 10·33 | 22·61 |
| 1952 | 20,220 | 53,738 | 23,322 | 1,198 | 8·66 | 23·02 | 9·99 | 22·29 |
| 1953 | 19,238 | 53,561 | 22,650 | 1,133 | 8·07 | 22·46 | 9·50 | 21·15 |
| | | | | | Equivalent Annual Rate per 1,000 of Population. | | | |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter | 4,699 | 13,635 | 4,804 | 242 | 7·81 | 22·67 | 7·99 | 17·75 |
| June Quarter | 5,114 | 13,262 | 5,850 | 287 | 8·42 | 21·82 | 9·63 | 21·64 |

(a) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

| Cause of Death. | Year Ended 31st December— | | Quarter Ended 30th June— | |
|---|---------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-----------|
| | 1952. | 1953. | 1953. | 1954. (a) |
| Tuberculosis | 346 | 279 | 66 | 68 |
| Malignant Neoplasms | 3,323 | 3,366 | 810 | 837 |
| Diabetes | 410 | 413 | 90 | 92 |
| Vascular Lesions affecting Central Nervous System | 3,241 | 3,071 | 773 | 779 |
| Diseases of the Heart | 7,696 | 7,409 | 1,776 | 1,936 |
| General Arteriosclerosis | 804 | 827 | 209 | 209 |
| Pneumonia | 732 | 659 | 135 | 209 |
| Nephritis and Nephrosis | 426 | 415 | 90 | 85 |
| Certain Diseases of Early Infancy | 731 | 705 | 196 | 163 |
| Accidents | 1,287 | 1,174 | 308 | 289 |

(a) Subject to revision.

POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF VICTORIA AT CENSUSES, 1947 AND 1954.

(The figures for 1954 are derived from the Census Field Count taken by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician and may be subject to considerable amendment on completion of tabulation.)

| Municipality. | Population. | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 30th June, 1947. | 30th June, 1954. (Field Count). |
| METROPOLITAN. | | |
| Box Hill City | 21,373 | 35,515 |
| Brighton City | 39,769 | 40,431 |
| Broadmeadows Shire (Broadmeadows and Campbellfield Ridings only) | 8,004 | 22,973 |
| Brunswick City | 57,529 | 53,595 |
| Camberwell City | 76,125 | 90,357 |
| Caulfield City | 79,913 | 75,194 |
| Chelsea City | 12,049 | 16,779 |
| Coburg City | 49,597 | 62,146 |
| Collingwood City | 29,758 | 27,133 |
| Dandenong Shire | (a) | 27,753 |
| Doncaster and Templestowe Shire | (a) | 6,811 |
| Eltham Shire (South Riding only) | (b) | 7,490 |
| Essendon City | 55,396 | 57,896 |
| Fern Tree Gully Shire (North, Centre and East Ridings only) | (b) | 22,019 |
| Fitzroy City | 32,380 | 30,251 |
| Footscray City | 53,459 | 58,039 |
| Frankston and Hastings Shire (Seaford, Frankston and Mt. Eliza Ridings only) | (b) | 15,470 |
| Hawthorn City | 40,464 | 37,155 |
| Heidelberg City | 34,401 (c) | 60,016 |
| Keilor Shire | 2,025 (c) | 10,672 |
| Kew City | 30,859 | 31,523 |
| Lillydale Shire (Western, North and Southern Ridings only) | (b) | 16,605 |
| Malvern City | 49,114 | 46,875 |
| Melbourne City | 99,861 | 92,765 |
| Moorabbin City | 29,236 | 65,276 |
| Mordialloc City | 14,513 | 21,018 |
| Mulgrave Shire | 4,770 | 20,319 |
| Northcote City | 44,947 | 43,566 |
| Nunawading City | 10,774 | 23,861 |
| Oakleigh City | 15,979 | 24,286 |
| Port Melbourne City | 14,205 | 12,984 |
| Prahran City | 59,882 | 54,043 |
| Preston City | 46,775 | 63,785 |
| Richmond City | 39,390 | 35,197 |
| Ringwood Borough | 4,897 | 12,936 |
| Sandringham City | 26,435 | 31,744 |
| South Melbourne City | 43,452 | 37,897 |
| St. Kilda City | 58,318 | 53,266 |
| Sunshine City (Braybrook Shire in 1947) | 14,289 (c) | 41,353 |
| Werribee Shire (Altona Riding only) | (b) | 6,698 |
| Williamstown City | 26,471 | 29,247 |

POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF VICTORIA AT CENSUSES, 1947
AND 1954—*continued.*

| Municipality. | Population. | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 30th June, 1947. | 30th June, 1954. (Field Count). |
| REST OF STATE. | | |
| Alberton Shire | 5,246 | 5,602 |
| Alexandra Shire | 3,194 | 6,529 |
| Arapiles Shire | 2,005 | 2,160 |
| Ararat City (Town in 1947) | 5,957 | 7,420 |
| Ararat Shire | 4,155 | 4,653 |
| Avoca Shire | 2,402 | 2,381 |
| Avon Shire | 2,412 | 3,215 |
| Bacchus Marsh Shire | 3,388 | 3,958 |
| Bairnsdale Shire | 8,404 | 10,105 |
| Ballan Shire | 2,583 | 2,753 |
| Ballaarat City | 38,140 | 39,878 |
| Ballarat Shire | 4,259 | 6,143 |
| Bannockburn Shire | 2,038 | 2,120 |
| Barrabool Shire | 1,776 | 1,917 |
| Bass Shire | 3,818 | 3,765 |
| Beechworth Shire | 4,404 | 4,417 |
| Belfast Shire | 1,941 | 1,947 |
| Bellarine Shire | 4,069 | 7,006 |
| Benalla Borough (Part of Benalla Shire in 1947) | .. | 6,030 |
| Benalla Shire | 8,461 | 4,299 |
| Bendigo City | 26,739 | 28,722 |
| Berwick Shire | 10,575 | 12,412 |
| Bet Bet Shire | 2,428 | 2,293 |
| Birchip Shire | 1,543 | 1,743 |
| Bright Shire | 5,312 | 8,059 |
| Broadford Shire | 1,541 | 1,939 |
| Broadmeadows Shire (excluding Boardmeadows and Campbellfield Ridings) | 967 | 1,000 |
| Bulla Shire | 2,626 | 3,241 |
| Buln Buln Shire | 6,680 | 8,009 |
| Bungaree Shire | 1,876 | 1,965 |
| Buninyong Shire | 3,771 | 3,952 |
| Camperdown Borough (Part of Hampden Shire in 1947) | .. | 3,208 |
| Castlemaine Town (Borough in 1947) | 5,809 | 6,567 |
| Charlton Shire | 2,220 | 2,360 |
| Chiltern Shire | 1,677 | 1,613 |
| Clunes Borough | 847 | 871 |
| Cobram Shire (Part of Tungamah Shire in 1947) | .. | 3,640 |
| Cohuna Shire | 3,527 | 3,868 |
| Colac Town (Borough in 1947) | 6,381 | 8,030 |
| Colac Shire | 7,021 | 6,966 |
| Corio Shire | 5,005 | 13,485 |
| Cranbourne Shire | 7,061 | 8,193 |
| Creswick Shire | 3,502 | 3,552 |
| Daylesford Borough | 3,053 | 3,216 |
| Deakin Shire | 3,924 | 4,630 |
| Dimboola Shire | 6,111 | 6,226 |
| Donald Shire | 2,739 | 2,864 |
| Dundas Shire | 3,328 | 3,888 |
| Dunmunkle Shire | 4,145 | 4,111 |
| Eaglehawk Borough | 4,040 | 4,692 |
| East Loddon Shire | 1,379 | 1,446 |
| Echuca Borough | 4,490 | 5,399 |
| Eltham Shire (excluding South Riding) | (d) | 3,940 |
| Euroa Shire | 3,828 | 4,473 |
| Fern Tree Gully Shire (excluding North, Centre and East Ridings) | (d) | 3,427 |
| Flinders Shire | 7,561 | 11,967 |
| Frankston and Hastings Shire (excluding Seaford, Frankston, and Mt. Eliza Ridings) | (d) | 2,620 |

POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF VICTORIA AT CENSUSES, 1947
AND 1954—*continued.*

| Municipality. | Population. | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 30th June, 1947. | 30th June, 1954. (Field Count). |
| <i>REST OF STATE—continued.</i> | | |
| Geelong City | 18,740 | 20,342 |
| Geelong West City | 15,763 | 19,721 |
| Gisborne Shire | 2,070 | 2,125 |
| Glenelg Shire | 5,288 | 5,945 |
| Glenlyon Shire | 2,377 | 2,271 |
| Gordon Shire | 2,705 | 2,968 |
| Goulburn Shire | 1,703 | 1,760 |
| Grenville Shire | 1,823 | 1,862 |
| Hamilton City (Town in 1947) | 7,180 | 8,518 |
| Hampden Shire (See Camperdown Borough) | 10,941 | 8,766 |
| Healesville Shire | 4,776 | 5,171 |
| Heytesbury Shire | 5,958 | 6,369 |
| Horsham City (Town in 1947) | 6,388 | 7,771 |
| Huntly Shire | 2,285 | 2,245 |
| Inglewood Borough | 925 | 957 |
| Kaniva Shire | 2,171 | 2,289 |
| Kara Kara Shire | 1,760 | 1,663 |
| Karkaroc Shire | 4,239 | 4,418 |
| Kerang Shire | 7,681 | 8,494 |
| Kilmore Shire | 1,837 | 1,934 |
| Koroit Borough | 1,436 | 1,401 |
| Korong Shire | 3,186 | 2,985 |
| Korumburra Shire | 6,307 | 7,368 |
| Kowree Shire | 4,329 | 5,006 |
| Kyabram Borough (Part of Rodney Shire in 1947) | .. | 3,334 |
| Kyneton Shire | 6,021 | 6,066 |
| Leigh Shire | 970 | 1,086 |
| Lexton Shire | 1,189 | 1,350 |
| Lillydale Shire (excluding Western, North, and Southern Ridings) | (d) | 4,482 |
| Lowan Shire | 3,956 | 4,004 |
| Maffra Shire | 6,009 | 8,544 |
| Maldon Shire | 2,032 | 2,030 |
| Mansfield Shire | 3,645 | 5,030 |
| Marong Shire | 4,358 | 5,421 |
| Maryborough Borough | 6,198 | 6,826 |
| Melton Shire | 1,266 | 1,367 |
| Metcalf Shire | 2,316 | 2,425 |
| Mildura City | 9,527 | 10,967 |
| Mildura Shire | 15,711 | 15,721 |
| Minhamite Shire | 2,049 | 2,514 |
| Mirboo Shire | 1,611 | 1,858 |
| Mornington Shire | 4,004 | 5,791 |
| Mortlake Shire | 3,197 | 4,064 |
| Morwell Shire | 11,277 | 13,026 |
| Mount Rouse Shire | 2,400 | 2,853 |
| McIvor Shire | 2,188 | 2,202 |
| Narracan Shire | 10,403 | 21,005 |
| Newham and Woodend Shire | 2,027 | 2,057 |
| Newstead Shire | 2,067 | 2,088 |
| Newtown and Chilwell City (Town in 1947) | 10,058 | 11,182 |
| Numurkah Shire | 5,279 | 8,028 |
| Omco Shire | 2,132 | 2,076 |
| Orbost Shire | 4,386 | 5,473 |
| Otway Shire | 3,668 | 4,263 |
| Oxley Shire | 4,009 | 4,343 |
| Phillip Island Shire | 1,108 | 1,229 |
| Port Fairy Borough | 2,007 | 2,259 |
| Portland Town (Borough in 1947) | 3,462 | 4,758 |
| Portland Shire | 6,194 | 7,060 |

POPULATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF VICTORIA AT CENSUSES, 1947
AND 1954—*continued.*

| Municipality. | Population. | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 30th June, 1947. | 30th June, 1954. (Field Count). |
| <i>REST OF STATE—continued.</i> | | |
| Pyalong Shire | 528 | 488 |
| Queenscliffe Borough | 2,386 | 2,532 |
| Ripon Shire | 2,840 | 3,364 |
| Rochester Shire | 5,639 | 5,982 |
| Rodney Shire (See Kyabram Borough) | 10,097 | 9,165 |
| Romsey Shire | 2,718 | 2,777 |
| Rosedale Shire | 3,410 | 3,862 |
| Rutherglen Shire | 2,958 | 2,896 |
| Sale City (Town in 1947) | 5,119 | 6,542 |
| Sebastopol Borough | 2,041 | 3,265 |
| Seymour Shire | 4,470 | 11,580 |
| Shepparton City (Borough in 1947) | 7,914 | 10,843 |
| Shepparton Shire | 5,278 | 5,373 |
| South Barwon Shire | 5,908 | 11,009 |
| South Gippsland Shire | 4,203 | 4,862 |
| St. Arnaud Town (Borough in 1947) | 2,900 | 3,038 |
| Stawell Borough | 4,840 | 5,456 |
| Stawell Shire | 2,464 | 2,286 |
| Strathfieldsaye Shire | 3,487 | 4,210 |
| Swan Hill Borough | 4,305 | 5,191 |
| Swan Hill Shire | 8,838 | 11,143 |
| Talbot Shire | 852 | 803 |
| Tambo Shire | 4,029 | 5,077 |
| Towong Shire | 3,948 | 4,385 |
| Tararagon Shire | 5,396 | 10,020 |
| Tullaroop Shire | 1,463 | 1,415 |
| Tungamah Shire (See Cobram Shire) | 4,383 | 2,259 |
| Upper Murray Shire | 2,375 | 2,523 |
| Upper Yarra Shire | 5,444 | 6,950 |
| Violet Town Shire | 1,454 | 1,552 |
| Walpeup Shire | 4,246 | 4,311 |
| Wangaratta Borough | 6,670 | 10,724 |
| Wangaratta Shire | 2,105 | 2,265 |
| Wannon Shire | 3,425 | 3,946 |
| Waranga Shire | 4,870 | 4,652 |
| Warracknabeal Shire | 4,489 | 4,860 |
| Warragul Shire | 6,727 | 8,607 |
| Warrnambool City | 9,993 | 10,859 |
| Warrnambool Shire | 8,174 | 8,894 |
| Werribee Shire (excluding Altona Riding) | (d) | 9,421 |
| Whittlesea Shire | 3,645 | 5,712 |
| Wimmera Shire | 3,472 | 3,562 |
| Winchelsea Shire | 3,951 | 4,364 |
| Wodonga Shire | 4,273 | 10,928 |
| Wonthaggi Borough | 4,225 | 4,460 |
| Woorayl Shire | 6,088 | 7,035 |
| Wycheproof Shire.. .. . | 4,361 | 4,547 |
| Yackandandah Shire | 2,909 | 3,131 |
| Yarrawonga Shire | 3,137 | 3,769 |
| Yea Shire | 2,458 | 2,856 |

(a) Not included in Metropolitan Area. Comparable figures for 1947, as follows:—Dandenong Shire 15,122; Doncaster and Templestowe Shire 3,786.

(b) Not included in Metropolitan Area. Comparable figures for 1947, not available.

(c) Part of Municipality only. Population of the whole of the Municipality at 1947 Census as follows:—Heidelberg City 38,311; Keilor Shire 3,243; Braybrook Shire (now Sunshine City) 15,066.

(d) Not available. Population of the whole of the Municipality at 1947 Census as follows:—Eltham Shire 7,028; Fern Tree Gully Shire 16,807; Frankston and Hastings Shire 11,672; Lillydale Shire 13,809; Werribee Shire 10,315.

II.—LABOUR AND INDUSTRIAL.

VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

(Thousands.)

| Month. | Total Employment.(a) | | | Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups. | | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| | Government Employment. (b) | Private Employment. | Total. | Mining and Quarrying. | Factories. (c) | Building and Construction. | Transport and Communication. | Retail Trade. | Other Commerce and Finance. | Professional and Personal Services. (d) |
| MALES. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1933—June .. | 73.2 | 215.4 | 288.6 | 4.1 | (e) | 38.7 | 42.3 | 65.3 | | 32.8 |
| 1939—July .. | 90.0 | 267.5 | 357.5 | 5.5 | 128.4 | 36.4 | 45.4 | 75.9 | | 35.9 |
| 1941—July .. | 106.8 | 296.6 | 403.4 | 5.8 | 166.6 | 40.5 | 48.4 | 28.8 | 34.0 | 35.1 |
| 1942—June .. | 113.8 | 261.7 | 375.5 | 4.6 | 167.0 | 29.2 | 47.4 | 22.5 | 27.7 | 30.3 |
| 1943—June .. | 107.0 | 248.2 | 355.2 | 3.7 | 168.5 | 16.2 | 46.0 | 20.2 | 24.9 | 28.1 |
| 1944—June .. | 106.5 | 245.6 | 352.1 | 3.4 | 167.0 | 16.6 | 45.5 | 20.3 | 26.0 | 30.0 |
| 1945—August .. | 106.2 | 254.6 | 360.8 | 3.6 | 166.7 | 21.7 | 47.3 | 22.3 | 28.1 | 32.1 |
| 1946—June .. | 115.2 | 302.7 | 417.9 | 4.4 | 179.8 | 32.0 | 55.0 | 29.6 | 37.9 | 38.1 |
| 1947—June .. | 125.9 | 326.7 | 452.6 | 4.5 | 184.3 | 38.4 | 59.8 | 32.7 | 43.4 | 42.4 |
| 1948—June .. | 131.7 | 341.6 | 473.3 | 4.8 | 192.7 | 42.1 | 62.4 | 34.6 | 46.1 | 44.4 |
| 1949—June .. | 138.1 | 351.5 | 489.6 | 4.8 | 195.3 | 45.4 | 66.2 | 35.4 | 47.9 | 46.4 |
| 1950—June .. | 148.2 | 362.4 | 510.6 | 4.8 | 201.5 | 50.7 | 69.3 | 36.1 | 50.2 | 47.7 |
| 1951—June .. | 153.2 | 372.6 | 525.8 | 5.0 | 206.8 | 54.9 | 68.8 | 37.3 | 53.6 | 48.0 |
| 1952—June .. | 152.9 | 371.6 | 524.5 | 5.2 | 204.1 | 52.3 | 71.3 | 35.9 | 55.4 | 49.0 |
| 1953—June .. | 150.0 | 371.6 | 521.6 | 5.3 | 206.3 | 49.5 | 69.0 | 36.3 | 54.7 | 49.4 |
| 1954—January | 151.9 | 379.0 | 530.9 | 5.0 | 211.9 | 48.8 | 70.6 | 36.8 | 56.8 | 50.0 |
| June | 154.0 | 385.7 | 539.7 | 4.9 | 216.1 | 51.5 | 72.0 | 36.9 | 57.2 | 50.1 |
| July | 154.0 | 386.0 | 540.0 | 4.9 | 216.5 | 51.3 | 71.9 | 36.9 | 57.4 | 50.1 |
| August | 153.8 | 386.1 | 539.9 | 4.9 | 217.2 | 50.6 | 71.8 | 36.8 | 57.4 | 50.2 |
| September | 153.5 | 388.5 | 542.0 | 4.8 | 218.0 | 50.7 | 71.5 | 36.8 | 58.1 | 51.0 |
| FEMALES. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1933—June .. | 13.9 | 104.3 | 118.2 | .. | (e) | 0.2 | 3.3 | 26.9 | | 36.9 |
| 1939—July .. | 16.8 | 126.1 | 142.9 | 0.1 | 63.9 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 30.8 | | 34.3 |
| 1941—July .. | 25.8 | 160.2 | 186.0 | 0.1 | 79.1 | 0.4 | 5.9 | 29.7 | 12.1 | 42.3 |
| 1942—June .. | 37.1 | 161.4 | 198.5 | 0.2 | 82.7 | 0.5 | 8.1 | 29.9 | 14.4 | 43.5 |
| 1943—June .. | 45.8 | 159.6 | 205.4 | 0.1 | 86.1 | 0.5 | 11.0 | 28.0 | 14.2 | 44.1 |
| 1944—June .. | 44.4 | 153.9 | 198.3 | 0.1 | 82.4 | 0.5 | 11.2 | 26.7 | 14.4 | 44.9 |
| 1945—August .. | 40.7 | 151.6 | 192.3 | 0.1 | 79.9 | 0.5 | 10.9 | 26.6 | 14.6 | 46.0 |
| 1946—June .. | 30.6 | 153.1 | 183.7 | 0.1 | 75.2 | 0.6 | 9.4 | 27.4 | 13.9 | 47.7 |
| 1947—June .. | 30.0 | 160.5 | 190.5 | 0.1 | 76.5 | 0.7 | 9.6 | 28.6 | 14.5 | 50.6 |
| 1948—June .. | 30.4 | 166.3 | 196.7 | 0.1 | 79.1 | 0.8 | 10.4 | 29.9 | 15.4 | 52.5 |
| 1949—June .. | 31.4 | 171.3 | 202.7 | 0.1 | 81.9 | 0.9 | 11.4 | 30.8 | 16.4 | 53.3 |
| 1950—June .. | 33.6 | 176.5 | 210.1 | 0.1 | 84.9 | 0.9 | 11.8 | 31.2 | 17.7 | 55.2 |
| 1951—June .. | 36.3 | 183.2 | 219.5 | 0.1 | 88.7 | 1.0 | 11.9 | 32.3 | 19.5 | 56.7 |
| 1952—June .. | 36.5 | 170.1 | 206.6 | 0.1 | 76.6 | 1.1 | 11.6 | 30.8 | 20.2 | 56.6 |
| 1953—June .. | 35.2 | 170.7 | 205.9 | 0.1 | 79.6 | 1.1 | 10.6 | 29.8 | 19.8 | 56.1 |
| 1954—January | 35.0 | 177.7 | 212.7 | 0.1 | 84.4 | 1.2 | 10.2 | 30.7 | 20.3 | 56.8 |
| June | 35.9 | 181.8 | 217.7 | 0.1 | 86.6 | 1.2 | 10.3 | 31.6 | 21.2 | 57.9 |
| July | 36.2 | 182.0 | 218.2 | 0.1 | 86.7 | 1.2 | 10.3 | 31.4 | 21.2 | 58.1 |
| August | 36.3 | 181.9 | 218.2 | 0.1 | 86.7 | 1.2 | 10.4 | 31.3 | 21.2 | 58.1 |
| September | 36.3 | 182.8 | 219.1 | 0.1 | 86.9 | 1.2 | 10.5 | 31.5 | 21.5 | 58.5 |

VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT—*continued.*
(Thousands.)

| Month. | Total Employment.(a) | | | Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups. | | | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| | Government Employment. (b) | Private Employment. | Total. | Mining and Quarrying. | Factories. (c) | Building and Construction. | Transport and Communication. | Retail Trade. | Other Commerce and Finance. | Professional and Personal Services. (d) |
| PERSONS. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1933—June .. | 87.1 | 319.7 | 406.8 | 4.1 | 137.1 | 38.9 | 45.6 | 91.9 | | 69.7 |
| 1939—July .. | 106.8 | 393.6 | 500.4 | 5.6 | 192.3 | 36.7 | 48.7 | 106.7 | | 70.2 |
| 1941—July .. | 132.6 | 456.8 | 589.4 | 5.9 | 245.7 | 40.9 | 54.3 | 58.5 | 46.1 | 77.4 |
| 1942—June .. | 150.9 | 423.1 | 574.0 | 4.8 | 249.7 | 29.7 | 55.5 | 52.4 | 42.1 | 73.8 |
| 1943—June .. | 152.8 | 407.8 | 560.6 | 3.8 | 254.6 | 16.7 | 57.0 | 48.2 | 39.1 | 72.2 |
| 1944—June .. | 150.9 | 399.5 | 550.4 | 3.5 | 249.4 | 17.1 | 56.7 | 47.0 | 40.4 | 74.9 |
| 1945—August .. | 146.9 | 406.2 | 553.1 | 3.7 | 246.6 | 22.2 | 58.2 | 48.9 | 42.7 | 78.1 |
| 1946—June .. | 145.8 | 455.8 | 601.6 | 4.5 | 255.0 | 32.6 | 64.4 | 57.0 | 51.8 | 85.8 |
| 1947—June .. | 155.9 | 487.2 | 643.1 | 4.6 | 260.8 | 39.1 | 69.4 | 61.3 | 57.9 | 93.0 |
| 1948—June .. | 162.1 | 507.9 | 670.0 | 4.9 | 271.8 | 42.9 | 72.8 | 64.5 | 61.5 | 96.9 |
| 1949—June .. | 169.5 | 522.8 | 692.3 | 4.9 | 277.2 | 46.3 | 77.6 | 66.2 | 64.3 | 99.7 |
| 1950—June .. | 181.8 | 538.9 | 720.7 | 4.9 | 286.4 | 51.6 | 81.1 | 67.3 | 67.9 | 102.9 |
| 1951—June .. | 189.5 | 555.8 | 745.3 | 5.1 | 295.5 | 55.9 | 80.7 | 69.6 | 73.1 | 104.7 |
| 1952—June .. | 189.4 | 541.7 | 731.1 | 5.3 | 280.7 | 53.4 | 82.9 | 66.7 | 75.6 | 105.6 |
| 1953—June .. | 185.2 | 542.3 | 727.5 | 5.4 | 286.0 | 50.6 | 79.6 | 66.1 | 74.5 | 105.6 |
| 1954—January | 186.9 | 556.7 | 743.6 | 5.1 | 296.3 | 50.0 | 80.8 | 67.5 | 77.1 | 106.8 |
| June .. | 189.9 | 567.5 | 757.4 | 5.0 | 302.7 | 52.7 | 82.3 | 68.5 | 78.4 | 108.0 |
| July .. | 190.2 | 568.0 | 758.2 | 5.0 | 303.2 | 52.5 | 82.2 | 68.3 | 78.6 | 108.2 |
| August .. | 190.1 | 568.0 | 758.1 | 5.0 | 303.9 | 51.8 | 82.2 | 68.1 | 78.6 | 108.3 |
| Sept. .. | 189.8 | 571.3 | 761.1 | 4.9 | 304.9 | 51.9 | 82.0 | 68.3 | 79.6 | 109.5 |

(a) Excluding wage earners in rural industry, female domestics in private household, Defence Forces at home or abroad, National Service trainees in camp and Government "relief" workers. Estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1948) subject to revision.

(b) Civilian employees of Commonwealth, State, Local, and Semi-Government, and Allied Government Authorities. From March, 1951, old basis subject to revision.

(c) From July, 1948, the monthly figures are estimates subject to revision.

(d) Includes Law and Order, Religion, &c., Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, &c., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, &c., *excluding* female private domestic).

(e) Not available.

VICTORIA—BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

(Adult Males.)

| Payable as from the Beginning of First Pay Period in— | Melbourne. | Ballarat. | Bendigo. | Geelong. | Warrnam- bool. | Five Towns— Weighted Average. |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|--|
| | <i>s. d.</i> | <i>s. d.</i> | <i>s. d.</i> | <i>s. d.</i> | <i>s. d.</i> | <i>s. d.</i> |
| 1939—September .. | 81 0 | 77 0 | 76 0 | 80 0 | 80 0 | 80 0 |
| 1950—February .. | 134 0 | 130 0 | 130 0 | 133 0 | 132 0 | 134 0 |
| May .. | 137 0 | 133 0 | 133 0 | 136 0 | 135 0 | 136 0 |
| August .. | 140 0 | 135 0 | 136 0 | 139 0 | 139 0 | 140 0 |
| November .. | 143 0 | 138 0 | 139 0 | 142 0 | 143 0 | 142 0 |
| December .. | 162 0 | 157 0 | 158 0 | 161 0 | 162 0 | 161 0 |
| 1951—February .. | 170 0 | 164 0 | 164 0 | 167 0 | 170 0 | 169 0 |
| May .. | 177 0 | 171 0 | 171 0 | 175 0 | 177 0 | 177 0 |
| August .. | 189 0 | 188 0 | 182 0 | 190 0 | 188 0 | 189 0 |
| November .. | 199 0 | 198 0 | 194 0 | 198 0 | 202 0 | 199 0 |
| 1952—February .. | 209 0 | 208 0 | 205 0 | 207 0 | 211 0 | 209 0 |
| May .. | 212 0 | 211 0 | 209 0 | 211 0 | 215 0 | 212 0 |
| August .. | 224 0 | 221 0 | 221 0 | 222 0 | 227 0 | 224 0 |
| November .. | 228 0 | 227 0 | 226 0 | 227 0 | 233 0 | 228 0 |
| 1953—February .. | 229 0 | 226 0 | 226 0 | 227 0 | 234 0 | 229 0 |
| May .. | 232 0 | 228 0 | 229 0 | 228 0 | 235 0 | 231 0 |
| August (a) .. | 235 0 | 232 0 | 232 0 | 232 0 | 239 0 | 235 0 |

(a) Current, August 1954. Automatic adjustment of basic wages discontinued in Commonwealth Awards by the decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration announced on 12th September, 1953.

Note.—For information relating to the basic wage payable in a specified industry, reference should be made to the Court Award or the State Wages Board Determination or the Award or Determination of any Special Industrial Tribunal appointed to deal with wages and conditions in respect of that industry.

VICTORIA—INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK.

| Period. | Num- ber. | Workpeople Involved. | | | Working Days Lost. | | | Esti- mated Loss in Wages. |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| | | Di- rectly. | Indi- rectly. (a) | Total. | New Dis- putes. | Old Dis- putes. | Total. | |
| | | | | | | | | £'000 |
| 1939 Year .. | 10 | 1,989 | 180 | 2,169 | 27,313 | .. | 27,313 | 20 |
| 1950 .. | 33 | 59,161 | 14,826 | 73,987 | 1,208,365 | .. | 1,208,365 | 2,396 |
| 1951 .. | 41 | 27,219 | .. | 27,219 | 42,210 | .. | 42,210 | 104 |
| 1952 .. | 33 | 60,753 | 1,167 | 61,920 | 116,339 | .. | 116,339 | 339 |
| 1953 .. | 53 | 65,962 | 2,164 | 68,126 | 57,160 | .. | 57,160 | 176 |
| 1952—March Qr. .. | 10 | 43,025 | .. | 43,025 | 67,795 | .. | 67,795 | 178 |
| June Qr. (b) .. | 6 | 9,363 | 54 | 9,417 | 9,286 | 13,844 | 23,130 | 61 |
| Sept. Qr. .. | 11 | 6,731 | 34 | 6,765 | 10,064 | 76 | 10,140 | 33 |
| Dec. Qr. .. | 6 | 1,634 | 1,079 | 2,713 | 15,274 | .. | 15,274 | 67 |
| 1953—March Qr. .. | 13 | 5,544 | 52 | 5,596 | 4,908 | .. | 4,908 | 15 |
| June Qr. .. | 10 | 8,214 | 2,008 | 10,222 | 11,618 | 213 | 11,831 | 29 |
| Sept. Qr. .. | 13 | 31,746 | 93 | 31,839 | 24,332 | .. | 24,332 | 78 |
| Dec. Qr. .. | 17 | 20,458 | 11 | 20,469 | 13,856 | 2,233 | 16,089 | 54 |
| 1954—March Qr. .. | 24 | 19,411 | 36 | 19,447 | 28,262 | .. | 28,262 | 97 |
| June Qr. .. | 17 | 9,931 | 605 | 10,536 | 26,379 | .. | 26,379 | 82 |

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute.

(b) Excludes working days lost as a result of the ban on overtime in the stevedoring industry during the quarter.

Note.—The above statement has been compiled by the Commonwealth Statistician.

III.—PRICE INDEXES.

VICTORIA—"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (COST OF FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING—4 AND 5 ROOMS, CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS).

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities of Australia, 1923-27 = 1,000.)

| Period. | Melbourne. | Ballarat. | Bendigo. | Geelong. | Warrnambool. | Five Towns—Weighted Average. |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|------------------------------|
| November 1914 .. | 671 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| „ 1921 .. | 1,003 | 992 | 1,002 | 1,019 | 1,034 | 1,003 |
| Year 1932 .. | 813 | 776 | 808 | 794 | 838 | 811 |
| „ 1939 .. | 924 | 874 | 875 | 911 | 918 | 920 |
| „ 1944 .. | 1,135 | 1,083 | 1,101 | 1,112 | 1,129 | 1,131 |
| „ 1945 .. | 1,135 | 1,086 | 1,099 | 1,113 | 1,139 | 1,131 |
| „ 1946 .. | 1,149 | 1,094 | 1,107 | 1,124 | 1,153 | 1,145 |
| „ 1947 .. | 1,188 | 1,132 | 1,141 | 1,170 | 1,186 | 1,184 |
| „ 1948 .. | 1,294 | 1,243 | 1,244 | 1,278 | 1,283 | 1,290 |
| „ 1949 .. | 1,415 | 1,365 | 1,365 | 1,397 | 1,398 | 1,411 |
| „ 1950 .. | 1,565 | 1,509 | 1,520 | 1,549 | 1,558 | 1,561 |
| „ 1951 .. | 1,880 | 1,857 | 1,826 | 1,871 | 1,886 | 1,877 |
| „ 1952 .. | 2,170 | 2,147 | 2,139 | 2,154 | 2,205 | 2,168 |
| „ 1953 .. | 2,285 | 2,265 | 2,261 | 2,263 | 2,323 | 2,283 |
| 1952—September Qr. | 2,218 | 2,201 | 2,191 | 2,205 | 2,262 | 2,216 |
| December Qr. | 2,224 | 2,197 | 2,196 | 2,201 | 2,272 | 2,222 |
| 1953—March Quarter | 2,250 | 2,217 | 2,220 | 2,217 | 2,286 | 2,247 |
| June Quarter.. | 2,279 | 2,251 | 2,257 | 2,256 | 2,320 | 2,277 |
| September Qr. | 2,301 | 2,283 | 2,276 | 2,290 | 2,335 | 2,300 |
| December Qr. | 2,310 | 2,310 | 2,289 | 2,290 | 2,352 | 2,309 |
| 1954—March Quarter | 2,301 | 2,288 | 2,278 | 2,278 | 2,356 | 2,299 |
| June Quarter | 2,295 | 2,283 | 2,271 | 2,272 | 2,350 | 2,293 |
| September Qr. | 2,273 | 2,257 | 2,254 | 2,257 | 2,332 | 2,272 |

Note.—The above index has been computed by the Commonwealth Statistician.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The index of wholesale prices was first computed by the Commonwealth Statistician in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. A table relating to this index for varying periods from 1861 to 1950 is shown in previous issues of this publication. Particulars for subsequent years may be found in the "Labour Report" issued annually by the Commonwealth Statistician.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index by the Commonwealth Statistician has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices referred to in the previous paragraph. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive

(Base: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

| Period. | Basic Materials. | | | | | | | Foodstuffs and Tobacco. | Basic Materials and Foodstuffs. | | |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| | Metals and Coal. | Oils, Fats, and Waxes. | Textiles. | Chemicals. | Rubber and Hides. | Building Materials. | Total. | | Goods Principally Imported. (a) | Goods Principally Home Produced. | All Groups. |
| 1928-29 Year .. | 127 | 106 | 129 | 121 | 115 | 95 | 114 | 107 | 91 | 118 | 110 |
| 1931-32 .. | 108 | 113 | 77 | 119 | 74 | 95 | 101 | 86 | 100 | 92 | 95 |
| 1938-39 .. | 103 | 100 | 82 | 101 | 92 | 97 | 99 | 103 | 99 | 102 | 101 |
| 1943-44 .. | 131 | 170 | 150 | 143 | 140 | 174 | 153 | 129 | 182 | 122 | 140 |
| 1944-45 .. | 131 | 168 | 152 | 143 | 140 | 175 | 152 | 131 | 182 | 123 | 141 |
| 1945-46 .. | 130 | 156 | 152 | 142 | 140 | 177 | 149 | 135 | 178 | 126 | 141 |
| 1946-47 .. | 132 | 145 | 191 | 140 | 131 | 180 | 149 | 138 | 177 | 129 | 143 |
| 1947-48 .. | 146 | 161 | 283 | 148 | 126 | 190 | 166 | 153 | 192 | 145 | 159 |
| 1948-49 .. | 185 | 173 | 342 | 159 | 130 | 198 | 188 | 175 | 201 | 173 | 181 |
| 1949-50 .. | 214 | 184 | 434 | 187 | 143 | 225 | 214 | 198 | 223 | 198 | 205 |
| 1950-51 .. | 256 | 196 | 641 | 242 | 292 | 268 | 264 | 232 | 256 | 242 | 246 |
| 1951-52 .. | 343 | 220 | 577 | 314 | 298 | 370 | 321 | 281 | 288 | 305 | 300 |
| 1952-53 .. | 392 | 234 | 607 | 350 | 224 | 404 | 350 | 294 | 292 | 331 | 320 |
| 1953-54 .. | 388 | 222 | 566 | 323 | 191 | 363 | 332 | 313 | 271 | 343 | 321 |
| 1953-54— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| July .. | 391 | 225 | 583 | 329 | 198 | 365 | 336 | 315 | 275 | 346 | 325 |
| August .. | 389 | 226 | 581 | 329 | 198 | 365 | 335 | 336 | 275 | 360 | 335 |
| September .. | 389 | 226 | 576 | 329 | 199 | 364 | 335 | 331 | 276 | 357 | 333 |
| October .. | 389 | 226 | 576 | 327 | 198 | 364 | 334 | 325 | 273 | 353 | 329 |
| November .. | 388 | 223 | 574 | 327 | 197 | 365 | 333 | 311 | 270 | 342 | 321 |
| December .. | 388 | 223 | 561 | 327 | 192 | 365 | 332 | 304 | 269 | 337 | 317 |
| January .. | 384 | 223 | 564 | 327 | 190 | 365 | 331 | 305 | 271 | 336 | 317 |
| February .. | 384 | 221 | 546 | 317 | 187 | 365 | 328 | 306 | 269 | 336 | 316 |
| March .. | 389 | 222 | 545 | 317 | 183 | 365 | 330 | 304 | 269 | (b)335 | 316 |
| April .. | 390 | 217 | 553 | 316 | 186 | 359 | 328 | 306 | 266 | 337 | 316 |
| May .. | 390 | 217 | 563 | 316 | 184 | 359 | 329 | 306 | 266 | 338 | 316 |
| June .. | 384 | 218 | 569 | 316 | 182 | 358 | 327 | 308 | 267 | 337 | 316 |
| 1954-55— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| July .. | 384 | 217 | 569 | 313 | 183 | 358 | 327 | 307 | 266 | 337 | 316 |
| August .. | 384 | 216 | 529 | 313 | 205 | 359 | 325 | 308 | 267 | 336 | 316 |
| September .. | 385 | 216 | 527 | 313 | 232 | 365 | 328 | 307 | 271 | 335 | 317 |

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally. (b) Revised figures.

IV.—COMMONWEALTH SOCIAL SERVICE AND REPATRIATION BENEFITS IN VICTORIA.

A.—SOCIAL SERVICE BENEFITS.

| Period. | Pensioners at End of Period. (a) | | Widows' Pensions (c) in Force at End of Period. | | Maternity Allowances (d) Granted During Period. | Child Endowment (f). | |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------|--|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Age. | Invalid. | Maintaining a Child. | Not Maintaining a Child. | | Claims Current at End of Period. | Endowed Children at End of Period. |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. (e) | No. | No. |
| 1913-14 Year .. | 27,150 | 4,844 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 1920-21 | 30,385 | 11,174 | .. | .. | 36,778 | .. | .. |
| 1930-31 | 49,999 | 19,925 | .. | .. | 32,241 | .. | .. |
| 1938-39 | (b) 67,896 | (b) 19,471 | .. | .. | 20,819 | .. | .. |
| 1947-48 | 78,057 | 15,165 | 4,010 | 7,249 | 46,027 | 148,249 | 251,145 |
| 1948-49 | 81,753 | 15,575 | 3,937 | 7,227 | 46,309 | 157,625 | 265,672 |
| 1949-50 | 84,831 | 14,328 | 3,892 | 7,168 | 49,035 | 168,904 | (g) 452,333 |
| 1950-51 | 86,210 | 13,977 | 3,842 | 6,789 | 50,210 | 301,805 | 605,673 |
| 1951-52 | 87,845 | 13,973 | 3,724 | 6,498 | 52,144 | 317,591 | 642,693 |
| 1952-53 | 93,353 | 15,019 | 3,885 | 6,288 | 55,297 | 328,561 | 672,525 |
| 1953-54 | 98,210 | 15,882 | 3,885 | 5,942 | 54,219 | 339,022 | 699,220 |
| 1st July, 1954, to 4th October, 1954 | 99,524 | 16,015 | 3,931 | 5,934 | 14,090 | 341,527 | 705,148 |

(a) Excluding age and invalid pensioners in benevolent institutions.

(b) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the age pensions list.

(c) Commenced from 1st July, 1942. Particulars exclude pensions payable to widows in benevolent institutions.

(d) The income restrictions imposed in 1931 and 1932 and modified in 1934, 1936, and 1937 were abolished as from 1st July, 1943.

(e) Not available.

(f) Commenced from 1st July, 1941. Particulars exclude endowed children in approved institutions.

(g) As from 20th June, 1950, endowment became payable in respect of all children under sixteen years of age in a family.

| Period. | | | | Unemployment Benefits.(a) | | Sickness Benefits.(a) | |
|---|----|----|----|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | | | Admissions During Period. | On Benefit at End of Period.(b) | Admissions During Period. | On Benefit at End of Period.(b) |
| | | | | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| 1945-46 Year .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,695 | 579 | 10,169 | 1,790 |
| 1946-47 | .. | .. | .. | 16,187 | 667 | 14,550 | 2,468 |
| 1947-48 | .. | .. | .. | 1,029 | 66 | 17,105 | 2,506 |
| 1948-49 | .. | .. | .. | 288 | 51 | 16,712 | 3,444 |
| 1949-50 | .. | .. | .. | 1,037 | 151 | 15,120 | 3,745 |
| 1950-51 | .. | .. | .. | 1,145 | 32 | 14,715 | 1,733 |
| 1951-52 | .. | .. | .. | 3,058 | 1,133 | 11,838 | 1,578 |
| 1952-53 | .. | .. | .. | 39,245 | 5,939 | 11,046 | 2,059 |
| 1953-54 | .. | .. | .. | 9,590 | 1,203 | 12,843 | 2,035 |
| 1st July, 1954, to 4th October, 1954 | | | | (c) 913 | 719 | (c) 3,627 | 2,073 |

(a) Commenced from 1st July, 1945.

(b) As furnished by the Department of Social Services.

(c) Period from 27th June, 1954, to 25th September, 1954.

B.—REPATRIATION BENEFITS.

| Period. | War Pensions. | | | | Service Pensions (a). | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Incapacitated Members of Forces. | Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces. | Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces. | Total. | Members of Forces. | Dependants of Members of Forces. |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| At 30th June— | | | | | | |
| 1921 .. | 26,053 | 15,410 | 33,338 | 74,801 | .. | .. |
| 1931 .. | 25,066 | 10,994 | 60,142 | 96,202 | .. | .. |
| 1939 .. | 25,569 | 8,412 | 48,264 | 82,245 | 1,876 | 1,330 |
| 1947 .. | 39,711 | 13,167 | 48,101 | 100,979 | 2,589 | 1,134 |
| 1948 .. | 41,931 | 13,285 | 51,648 | 106,864 | 2,793 | 1,192 |
| 1949 .. | 44,025 | 13,486 | 55,737 | 113,248 | 2,736 | 1,154 |
| 1950 .. | 46,553 | 13,743 | 61,297 | 121,593 | 2,784 | 1,099 |
| 1951 .. | 49,120 | 13,744 | 69,055 | 131,919 | 2,696 | 1,071 |
| 1952 .. | 51,098 | 13,758 | 75,518 | 140,374 | 2,661 | 1,125 |
| 1953 .. | 52,785 | 13,817 | 81,464 | 148,066 | 3,029 | 1,244 |
| 1954 .. | 54,213 | 13,941 | 86,456 | 154,610 | 3,308 | 1,318 |
| At 30th September, 1954 .. | 54,739 | 13,919 | 88,013 | 156,671 | 3,373 | 1,325 |

(a) Commenced from 1st January, 1936.

Note.—Particulars relate to war pensions in respect of 1914–1918 War, 1939–1945 War, and the Korean and Malayan operations, and to service pensions in respect of the South African War, 1914–1918 War, and 1939–1945 War.

V.—SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

VICTORIA—OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING: VESSELS AND TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.

| Period. | Oversea. | | | | Interstate (a). | | Total. | |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| | Direct. | | Via Other States. | | | | | |
| | Vessels. | Net Tonnage. | Vessels. | Net Tonnage. | Vessels. | Net Tonnage. | Vessels. | Net Tonnage. |
| <i>Entered.</i> | | | | | | | | |
| 1938–39 Year .. | 188 | '000 686 | 548 | '000 3,100 | 2,243 | '000 4,751 | 2,979 | '000 8,537 |
| 1950–51 .. | 426 | 1,945 | 573 | 3,185 | 2,288 | 3,399 | 2,287 | 8,529 |
| 1951–52 .. | 446 | 1,997 | 548 | 3,140 | 1,322 | 3,611 | 2,316 | 8,748 |
| 1952–53 .. | 314 | 1,370 | 585 | 3,322 | 1,549 | 3,934 | 2,448 | 8,626 |
| 1953–54 .. (b) .. | 329 | 1,471 | 629 | 3,488 | 1,580 | 4,023 | ,538 | 8,982 |
| 1953–54— | | | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 65 | 284 | 151 | 854 | 395 | 978 | 611 | 2,116 |
| December Quarter .. | 73 | 314 | 162 | 911 | 408 | 1,041 | 643 | 2,266 |
| March Quarter .. | 83 | 378 | 171 | 972 | 374 | 997 | 628 | 2,347 |
| June Quarter .. | 108 | 495 | 145 | 751 | 403 | 1,007 | 656 | 2,253 |
| 1954–55— | | | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 107 | 482 | 162 | 905 | 376 | 899 | 645 | 2,286 |
| <i>Cleared.</i> | | | | | | | | |
| 1938–39 Year .. | 195 | '000 757 | 495 | '000 2,886 | 2,299 | '000 4,837 | 2,989 | '000 8,480 |
| 1950–51 .. | 347 | 1,599 | 423 | 2,386 | 1,546 | 4,614 | 2,316 | 8,599 |
| 1951–52 .. | 377 | 1,699 | 403 | 2,413 | 1,548 | 4,728 | 2,328 | 8,840 |
| 1952–53 .. | 347 | 1,515 | 441 | 2,553 | 1,649 | 4,521 | 2,437 | 8,589 |
| 1953–54 .. (b) .. | 343 | 1,534 | 458 | 2,648 | 1,746 | 4,798 | 2,547 | 8,980 |
| 1953–54— | | | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 77 | 350 | 115 | 662 | 419 | 1,122 | 611 | 2,134 |
| December Quarter .. | 81 | 341 | 129 | 746 | 448 | 1,189 | 658 | 2,276 |
| March Quarter .. | 91 | 436 | 102 | 604 | 428 | 1,262 | 621 | 2,302 |
| June Quarter .. | 94 | 407 | 112 | 636 | 451 | 1,225 | 657 | 2,268 |
| 1954–55— | | | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 89 | 410 | 117 | 669 | 463 | 1,251 | 669 | 2,330 |

(a) Includes oversea vessels on interstate voyages.

(b) Subject to revision.

OVERSEA TRADE—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO AND EXPORTS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.

(Compiled from information collected by the Department of Trade and Customs.)

| Period. | Merchandise. | Bullion and Specie. | Total. |
|---|--------------|---------------------|---------|
| IMPORTS. | | | |
| Year ended 30th June— | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| 1939 | 43,857 | 551 | 44,408 |
| 1952 | 361,807 | 1,386 | 363,193 |
| 1953 | 173,201 | 574 | 173,775 |
| 1954(a) | 237,281 | 399 | 237,680 |
| Three months ended 30th September, 1954 (a) | 73,959 | 47 | 74,006 |
| EXPORTS. | | | |
| Year ended 30th June— | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| 1939 | 28,388 | 2,431 | 30,819 |
| 1952 | 185,954 | 40 | 185,994 |
| 1953 | 228,004 | 114 | 228,118 |
| 1954(a) | 203,528 | 53 | 203,581 |
| Three months ended 30th September, 1954 (a) | 34,009 | 2 | 34,011 |

(a) Subject to revision.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

(Values are in Australian currency f.o.b. at port of shipment.)

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|-------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS— | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| Fish— | | | | |
| Preserved in Tins | 82 | 258 | 196 | 757 |
| Other | 128 | 146 | 325 | 531 |
| Other Animal Foodstuffs | 92 | 126 | 268 | 331 |
| Total, Class I. | 302 | 530 | 789 | 1,619 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.— | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| Nuts, Edible | 136 | 109 | 395 | 569 |
| Spices | 68 | 65 | 271 | 270 |
| Coffee and Chicory | 341 | 242 | 581 | 1,170 |
| Tea | 1,298 | 1,999 | 4,211 | 4,727 |
| Cocoa and Chocolate | 182 | 577 | 729 | 1,220 |
| Other Vegetable Foodstuffs, &c. | 118 | 243 | 417 | 555 |
| Total, Class II. | 2,143 | 3,235 | 6,604 | 8,511 |
| CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS | 37 | 92 | 194 | 260 |
| CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF— | | | | |
| Tobacco— | | | | |
| Unmanufactured | 759 | 1,312 | 4,279 | 4,975 |
| Manufactured | 8 | 4 | 16 | 27 |
| Cigarettes | 415 | 134 | 917 | 1,190 |
| Cigars, Snuff, &c. | 2 | 12 | 4 | 28 |
| Total, Class IV. | 1,184 | 1,462 | 5,216 | 6,220 |
| CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.. .. . | 21 | 8 | 116 | 97 |
| CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS— | | | | |
| Hides and Skins | 91 | 137 | 188 | 508 |
| Wool | 152 | 348 | 593 | 1,296 |
| Other Animal Substances | 119 | 87 | 212 | 550 |
| Total, Class VI. | 362 | 572 | 993 | 2,354 |
| CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES— | | | | |
| Seeds | 83 | 206 | 284 | 492 |
| Fibres | 1,117 | 1,706 | 3,327 | 5,075 |
| Gums, Resins, and Balsams | 65 | 99 | 193 | 305 |
| Cork and Cork Manufactures | 49 | 57 | 116 | 190 |
| Other Vegetable Substances | 149 | 156 | 631 | 634 |
| Total, Class VII. | 1,463 | 2,224 | 4,551 | 6,696 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL— | | | | |
| Yarns | 2,200 | 2,184 | 4,948 | 9,093 |
| Manufactured Fibres | 177 | 398 | 909 | 1,147 |
| Textiles— | | | | |
| Piece Goods | 5,539 | 7,346 | 9,875 | 24,405 |
| Other | 824 | 2,150 | 1,234 | 5,276 |
| Apparel | 966 | 1,628 | 1,688 | 5,096 |
| Total, Class VIII. | 9,706 | 13,706 | 18,654 | 45,017 |
| CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES— | | | | |
| Linseed Oil | 73 | 37 | 165 | 207 |
| Paraffin Wax | 14 | 33 | 42 | 127 |
| Petroleum and Shale Oils— | | | | |
| Petroleum | 3,342 | 7,156 | 14,358 | 16,292 |
| Kerosene | 613 | 685 | 1,838 | 1,999 |
| Residual | 1,143 | 1,356 | 2,286 | 3,783 |
| Lubricating (Mineral) | 251 | 387 | 1,138 | 1,159 |
| Other | 450 | 114 | 1,804 | 1,456 |
| Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes | 234 | 425 | 439 | 947 |
| Total Class IX. | 6,120 | 10,193 | 22,070 | 25,970 |
| CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES | 253 | 544 | 427 | 1,189 |
| CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. .. | 260 | 588 | 2,733 | 1,783 |
| CLASS XII. (a) —METALS AND MANU- FACTURES— | | | | |
| Iron and Steel— | | | | |
| Plate and Sheet | 971 | 2,761 | 8,782 | 6,149 |
| Other | 456 | 463 | 3,071 | 2,160 |
| Tools of Trade | 232 | 356 | 503 | 1,003 |
| Vehicles— | | | | |
| Aircraft and Parts | 762 | 694 | 5,732 | 3,086 |
| Motor Cars, &c.— | | | | |
| Complete | 53 | 78 | 418 | 329 |
| Bodies, Chassis, and Parts | 5,410 | 7,001 | 12,960 | 22,264 |
| Other Vehicles and Parts | 357 | 524 | 964 | 1,511 |
| Other Metals and Manufactures | 2,215 | 3,026 | 6,792 | 9,422 |
| Total, Class XII. (a) | 10,456 | 14,903 | 39,222 | 45,924 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| CLASS XII.(b)—DYNAMO ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPLIANCES, EQUIPMENT, ETC. | | | | |
| Dynamo Electrical Machinery | 379 | 810 | 2,288 | 1,676 |
| Wireless (Radio) Equipment | 71 | 53 | 274 | 337 |
| Other Electrical Machinery, &c... .. | 1,324 | 1,212 | 4,377 | 4,863 |
| Total, Class XII.(b) | 1,774 | 2,075 | 6,939 | 6,876 |
| CLASS XII.(c)—MACHINES AND MACHINERY (EXCEPT DYNAMO ELECTRICAL)— | | | | |
| Motive Power Machinery and Appliances .. | 3,158 | 3,577 | 10,353 | 14,089 |
| Metal Working Machinery and Appliances .. | 961 | 776 | 3,571 | 3,217 |
| Roller and Ball Bearings | 297 | 313 | 1,490 | 1,250 |
| Other Machines and Machinery | 4,810 | 4,623 | 16,158 | 16,931 |
| Total, Class XII.(c) | 9,226 | 9,289 | 31,572 | 35,487 |
| Total, Class XII. | 21,456 | 26,267 | 77,733 | 88,287 |
| CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF— | | | | |
| Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. | 1,073 | 850 | 2,190 | 3,668 |
| Rubber Manufactures— | | | | |
| Tyres, Pneumatic and Other | 88 | 173 | 477 | 466 |
| Elastics | 63 | 103 | 159 | 367 |
| Other | 84 | 125 | 189 | 393 |
| Leather and Leather Manufactures | 65 | 87 | 143 | 237 |
| Total, Class XIII. | 1,373 | 1,338 | 3,158 | 5,131 |
| CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER— | | | | |
| Timber | 348 | 628 | 1,078 | 1,891 |
| Other Wood and Wicker | 73 | 153 | 157 | 373 |
| Total, Class XIV. | 421 | 781 | 1,235 | 2,264 |
| CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE— | | | | |
| Glass and Glassware | 346 | 592 | 778 | 1,566 |
| Crockery and Household Ware | 231 | 462 | 369 | 1,379 |
| Portland Cement | 141 | 128 | 469 | 346 |
| Other Earthenware, &c. | 115 | 172 | 350 | 618 |
| Total, Class XV. | 833 | 1,354 | 1,966 | 3,909 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| CLASS XVI.(a)—PULP, PAPER, AND BOARD— | | | | |
| Pulp for Papermaking | 321 | 410 | 962 | 1,397 |
| Paper— | | | | |
| Printing | 1,011 | 1,192 | 2,547 | 4,087 |
| Writing and Typewriting | 154 | 132 | 482 | 538 |
| Wrapping | 229 | 326 | 535 | 1,115 |
| Other | 192 | 330 | 546 | 860 |
| Millboards and Other Boards | 77 | 157 | 231 | 402 |
| Total, Class XVI.(a) | 1,984 | 2,547 | 5,303 | 8,399 |
| CLASS XVI.(b)—PAPER MANUFACTURES AND STATIONERY— | | | | |
| Books (printed), Directories, &c. | 569 | 542 | 1,809 | 1,891 |
| Other Stationery, &c. | 254 | 457 | 594 | 1,329 |
| Total, Class XVI.(b) | 823 | 999 | 2,403 | 3,220 |
| Total, Class XVI. | 2,807 | 3,546 | 7,706 | 11,619 |
| CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES— | | | | |
| Fancy Goods, including Sporting Materials and Toys | 209 | 428 | 203 | 929 |
| Jewellery | 118 | 304 | 335 | 791 |
| Timepieces | 177 | 296 | 321 | 882 |
| Total, Class XVII. | 504 | 1,028 | 859 | 2,602 |
| CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS | 490 | 679 | 1,481 | 2,244 |
| CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS— | | | | |
| Drugs and Chemicals | 1,196 | 1,646 | 2,966 | 5,179 |
| Fertilizers | 196 | 252 | 805 | 1,390 |
| Total, Class XIX | 1,392 | 1,898 | 3,771 | 6,569 |
| CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS— | | | | |
| Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives | 297 | 658 | 1,640 | 1,829 |
| Synthetic Resins | 577 | 623 | 1,209 | 2,511 |
| Prefabricated Buildings— | | | | |
| Houses | 1,352 | .. | 3,231 | 2,219 |
| Other Buildings | 309 | 388 | 1,378 | 744 |
| Outside Packages | 1,126 | 1,405 | 3,214 | 4,654 |
| All Other Articles | 545 | 840 | 2,273 | 2,983 |
| Total, Class XX. | 4,206 | 3,914 | 12,945 | 14,940 |
| CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE | 14 | 47 | 574 | 399 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 55,347 | 74,006 | 173,775 | 237,680 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN | | | | |
| NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS— | | | | |
| Meats— | | | | |
| Preserved by Cold Process— | | | | |
| Beef | 177 | 89 | 315 | 641 |
| Lamb | 60 | 556 | 3,494 | 1,782 |
| Mutton | 77 | 153 | 1,426 | 836 |
| Pork | 10 | 14 | 71 | 54 |
| Poultry | 89 | 67 | 523 | 140 |
| Rabbits and Hares | 485 | 317 | 1,986 | 1,105 |
| Other | 70 | 93 | 421 | 359 |
| Preserved in Tins | 1,841 | 2,216 | 11,495 | 7,821 |
| Sausage Casings | 178 | 279 | 1,177 | 958 |
| Other | 67 | 108 | 215 | 269 |
| Butter | 902 | 1,127 | 7,674 | 6,986 |
| Cheese | 368 | 347 | 4,114 | 4,093 |
| Eggs | 236 | 182 | 1,647 | 1,511 |
| Infants' and Invalids' Foods | 119 | 50 | 386 | 350 |
| Honey | 20 | 54 | 217 | 127 |
| Milk and Cream | 1,084 | 768 | 7,043 | 6,670 |
| Other Animal Foodstuffs | 71 | 71 | 1,315 | 493 |
| Total, Class I. | 5,854 | 6,491 | 43,519 | 34,195 |
| CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC. | | | | |
| Grains and Cereals— | | | | |
| Unprepared— | | | | |
| Wheat | 1,737 | 3,138 | 10,236 | 5,919 |
| Oats | 72 | 21 | 2,307 | 334 |
| Barley | 78 | 163 | 1,964 | 2,133 |
| Other | 5 | 2 | 141 | 11 |
| Prepared— | | | | |
| Rice | 34 | 62 | 140 | 242 |
| Flour (Wheaten) | 4,050 | 1,262 | 15,329 | 10,040 |
| Oatmeal and Rolled Oats | 102 | 22 | 453 | 194 |
| Other | 65 | 102 | 106 | 432 |
| Vegetables— | | | | |
| Preserved in liquid and pulped | 66 | 40 | 423 | 246 |
| Other | 61 | 20 | 415 | 132 |
| Fruits— | | | | |
| Fresh | 201 | 233 | 1,888 | 2,355 |
| Dried | 2,353 | 2,147 | 5,315 | 4,857 |
| Preserved in liquid | 1,831 | 3,445 | 6,149 | 7,515 |
| Fruit Juices | 28 | 16 | 360 | 214 |
| Jam and Jellies | 78 | 58 | 270 | 233 |
| Other Vegetable Foodstuffs | 344 | 265 | 1,110 | 2,463 |
| Total, Class II. | 11,105 | 10,996 | 46,606 | 37,320 |
| CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS | | | | |
| LIQUORS | 127 | 125 | 488 | 464 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|---------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF | .. | 3 | 6 | 16 |
| CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.. .. . | 9 | 28 | 71 | 46 |
| CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD- STUFFS— | | | | |
| Hides and Skins— | | | | |
| Rabbit and Hare | 245 | 146 | 476 | 475 |
| Calf, Cattle, and Horse | 97 | 86 | 360 | 380 |
| Sheep (with wool and without wool) | 1,451 | 1,490 | 7,684 | 6,674 |
| Other | 34 | 3 | | 106 |
| Wool— | | | 42 | |
| Greasy | 7,243 | 5,620 | 92,008 | 87,936 |
| Scoured, Tops, and Waste | 4,252 | 3,153 | 16,196 | 15,180 |
| Other Animal Substances | 24 | 21 | 133 | 86 |
| Total, Class VI. | 13,346 | 10,519 | 116,899 | 110,837 |
| CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES— | | | | |
| Seeds | 28 | 81 | 96 | 86 |
| Fibres | .. | .. | 81 | 7 |
| Other Vegetable Substances | 24 | 14 | 46 | 79 |
| Total, Class VII. | 52 | 95 | 223 | 172 |
| CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES, AND APPAREL— | | | | |
| Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.. .. . | 38 | 30 | 115 | 208 |
| Textiles | 109 | 131 | 252 | 474 |
| Apparel | 19 | 30 | 124 | 62 |
| Total, Class VIII. | 166 | 191 | 491 | 744 |
| CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES— | | | | |
| Tallow, inedible | 151 | 67 | 627 | 675 |
| Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes | 81 | 387 | 503 | 497 |
| Total, Class IX. | 232 | 454 | 1,130 | 1,172 |
| CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES | 48 | 85 | 145 | 188 |
| CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. .. | 673 | 566 | 2,146 | 2,280 |
| CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY— | | | | |
| Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical) | 1,206 | 984 | 2,726 | 4,265 |
| Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances | 64 | 113 | 291 | 305 |
| Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) | 1,061 | 944 | 2,903 | 3,551 |
| Total, Class XII. | 2,331 | 2,041 | 5,920 | 8,121 |

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

| Article. | Quarter Ended 30th September— | | Year Ended 30th June— | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|---------|
| | 1953. | 1954. | 1953. | 1954. |
| CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF— | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| Rubber and Rubber Manufactures .. | .. | 84 | 87 | 182 |
| Leather and Leather Manufactures .. | .. | 320 | 1,279 | 1,224 |
| Total, Class XIII. | 339 | 404 | 1,366 | 1,406 |
| CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER .. | 42 | 62 | 126 | 128 |
| CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE | 31 | 28 | 71 | 135 |
| CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY— Pulp, Paper, and Board | 25 | 12 | 160 | 79 |
| Paper Manufactures and Stationery .. | 79 | 143 | 301 | 319 |
| Total, Class XVI. | 104 | 155 | 461 | 398 |
| CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES | 58 | 73 | 230 | 208 |
| CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS | 149 | 148 | 457 | 519 |
| CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS | 372 | 336 | 1,650 | 1,469 |
| CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS— | | | | |
| Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives .. | 606 | 844 | 2,892 | 2,351 |
| Personal and Household Effects .. | 93 | 78 | 344 | 332 |
| All other Articles | 307 | 287 | 2,763 | 1,027 |
| Total, Class XX. | 1,006 | 1,209 | 5,999 | 3,710 |
| CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER: BRONZE SPECIE | 13 | 2 | 114 | 53 |
| Australian Produce | 35,514 | 33,532 | 226,392 | 201,434 |
| Other Produce | 543 | 479 | 1,726 | 2,147 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 36,057 | 34,011 | 228,118 | 203,581 |

VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

| Imports from— | Year Ended 30th June— | | | Three Months Ended 30th September, 1954. (a). |
|---|-----------------------|---------|------------|---|
| | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. (a). | |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| United Kingdom | 161,879 | 71,429 | 113,159 | 33,292 |
| Australian Territories | 1,306 | 1,238 | 1,229 | 259 |
| Borneo (British) | 574 | 217 | 2,219 | 3,880 |
| Canada | 6,535 | 6,329 | 5,074 | 1,427 |
| Ceylon | 3,468 | 3,386 | 4,444 | 1,874 |
| East Africa (British) | 2,753 | 1,507 | 1,271 | 354 |
| Hong Kong | 733 | 101 | 384 | 228 |
| India, Republic of | 12,446 | 3,699 | 4,817 | 1,200 |
| Malaya, Federation of | 7,560 | 1,868 | 3,333 | 758 |
| New Zealand | 3,403 | 1,683 | 2,401 | 711 |
| Pakistan | 864 | 550 | 1,687 | 348 |
| Rhodesia, Northern and Southern | 698 | 1,151 | 1,352 | 966 |
| Singapore | 4,546 | 1,759 | 3,041 | 750 |
| South Africa, Union of | 1,535 | 1,081 | 917 | 448 |
| West Africa (British) | 559 | 419 | 366 | 121 |
| Other British Possessions | 1,106 | 912 | 1,102 | 307 |
| Arabia— | | | | |
| Bahrain Islands | 4,094 | 4,689 | 5,494 | 1,222 |
| Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Muscat and Oman, &c. | 3,389 | 3,822 | 3,849 | 515 |
| Austria | 1,972 | 349 | 771 | 279 |
| Belgium | 7,199 | 1,628 | 2,432 | 973 |
| Brazil | 2,714 | 124 | 397 | 385 |
| China | 1,080 | 317 | 576 | 102 |
| Czechoslovakia | 2,269 | 371 | 747 | 244 |
| Egypt | 1,176 | 421 | 548 | 115 |
| Finland | 3,638 | 354 | 810 | 364 |
| France | 6,859 | 4,544 | 5,766 | 977 |
| Germany | 12,445 | 5,094 | 9,607 | 3,388 |
| Indonesia, Republic of | 7,397 | 5,162 | 6,500 | 1,216 |
| Italy | 10,926 | 1,731 | 4,322 | 1,263 |
| Japan | 15,595 | 2,345 | 2,634 | 1,405 |
| Netherlands | 4,922 | 2,269 | 3,341 | 1,485 |
| Netherlands Antilles | 1,610 | 665 | 69 | 119 |
| Norway | 3,584 | 504 | 1,181 | 342 |
| Persia (Iran) | 748 | 73 | 11 | 1 |
| Soviet Union | 395 | 158 | 337 | 63 |
| Sweden | 11,038 | 2,519 | 3,557 | 1,089 |
| Switzerland | 2,779 | 1,254 | 3,356 | 1,108 |
| United States of America | 36,974 | 33,031 | 27,565 | 8,090 |
| Venezuela | 211 | 702 | 423 | 34 |
| Other Foreign Countries | 3,375 | 1,082 | 1,904 | 885 |
| Country not stated | 16 | 24 | 33 | 14 |
| Total (excluding Outside Packages) | 356,370 | 170,561 | 233,026 | 72,601 |

(a) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES—*continued.*

| Exports to— | Year Ended 30th June— | | | Three Months Ended 30th September, 1954. (a). |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|------------|---|
| | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. (a). | |
| | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 | £A'000 |
| United Kingdom | 55,562 | 86,009 | 68,437 | 13,999 |
| Australian Territories | 441 | 792 | 1,119 | 449 |
| Borneo (British) | 304 | 283 | 369 | 148 |
| Canada | 3,850 | 4,015 | 3,038 | 1,067 |
| Ceylon | 5,762 | 8,115 | 4,792 | 589 |
| Cocos Island | .. | 905 | 65 | 8 |
| Hong Kong | 1,400 | 2,194 | 1,569 | 292 |
| India, Republic of | 5,227 | 5,081 | 2,832 | 831 |
| Ireland, Republic of | 1,148 | 2,128 | 866 | 51 |
| Malaya, Federation of | 3,688 | 4,420 | 3,795 | 548 |
| Mauritius and Dependencies | 904 | 725 | 835 | 159 |
| New Zealand | 12,574 | 7,954 | 8,822 | 2,392 |
| Pakistan | 316 | 1,049 | 828 | 305 |
| Rhodesia, Northern and Southern | 222 | 393 | 428 | 123 |
| Singapore | 3,827 | 3,694 | 3,103 | 840 |
| South Africa, Union of | 1,328 | 1,655 | 1,406 | 321 |
| West Indies (British) | 612 | 539 | 317 | 88 |
| Other British Possessions | 2,383 | 2,516 | 2,364 | 973 |
| Arabia | 339 | 571 | 653 | 147 |
| Belgium | 4,356 | 6,029 | 5,067 | 487 |
| China | 80 | 471 | 313 | 54 |
| Czechoslovakia | 460 | 1,292 | 696 | .. |
| Denmark | 546 | 262 | 481 | 51 |
| Egypt | 2,644 | 1,120 | 1,007 | 172 |
| France | 16,120 | 23,451 | 21,330 | 2,529 |
| Germany | 6,232 | 4,779 | 6,420 | 1,759 |
| Indonesia, Republic of | 1,681 | 2,404 | 2,026 | 250 |
| Italy | 10,363 | 13,267 | 13,832 | 685 |
| Japan | 9,180 | 17,829 | 11,381 | 957 |
| Mexico | 780 | 757 | 1,156 | 71 |
| Netherlands | 2,619 | 1,240 | 1,745 | 485 |
| Poland | 959 | 1,175 | 842 | 129 |
| Soviet Union | .. | 444 | 10,497 | .. |
| Sweden | 2,759 | 1,041 | 1,510 | 123 |
| Switzerland | 455 | 353 | 898 | 35 |
| Turkey | 619 | 490 | 886 | 25 |
| United States of America | 20,574 | 13,951 | 12,947 | 1,996 |
| Yugoslavia | 1,649 | 211 | 406 | .. |
| Other Foreign Countries | 4,031 | 4,514 | 4,503 | 873 |
| Total | 185,994 | 228,118 | 203,581 | 34,011 |

(a) Subject to revision.

QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED TO
OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.
(Australian Currency Values.)

| Commodity. | | | Year Ended 30th June— | | | Three months ended 30th September, 1954 (a). |
|--|---|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. (a). | |
| Wool— | | | | | | |
| Greasy | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 227,445 73,952 | 260,691 92,008 | 236,716 87,936 | 16,603 5,620 |
| Scoured and Washed | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 30,775 14,019 | 31,750 13,173 | 28,436 12,673 | 6,403 2,737 |
| Tops, Noils, and Waste | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 6,861 2,204 | 8,904 3,023 | 6,279 2,507 | 1,153 416 |
| Butter | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 17,768 3,166 | 42,129 7,674 | 38,484 6,986 | 5,834 1,127 |
| Wheat | { | tons £'000 | 425,436 13,590 | 320,230 10,236 | 191,822 5,919 | 117,063 3,138 |
| Flour (wheaten) | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 619,807 13,125 | 713,853 15,329 | 516,514 10,040 | 76,633 1,262 |
| Fruits— | | | | | | |
| Dried | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 68,656 3,788 | 113,620 5,315 | 104,210 4,857 | 45,190 2,147 |
| Fresh— | | | | | | |
| Oranges | { | bushels £'000 | 171,394 324 | 226,065 405 | 315,758 471 | 131,261 195,529 |
| Apples | { | bushels £'000 | 81,360 142 | 106,310 179 | 118,724 161 | 23,931 33,395 |
| Pears | { | bushels £'000 | 589,386 1,170 | 654,838 1,241 | 911,877 1,643 | 1,912 3,781 |
| Other Fresh Fruits | { | £'000 | 16 | 63 | 80 | 4 |
| Preserved in Liquid | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 73,195 4,030 | 97,624 6,149 | 111,595 7,515 | 48,229 3,445 |
| Meats— | | | | | | |
| Beef (frozen) | { | cwt. £'000 | 24,055 249 | 30,844 315 | 77,644 641 | 9,964 89 |
| Lamb (frozen) | { | cwt. £'000 | 170,239 1,205 | 465,750 3,494 | 203,343 1,782 | 55,356 556 |
| Mutton (frozen) | { | cwt. £'000 | 35,587 211 | 391,564 1,426 | 218,643 836 | 29,027 153 |
| Pork (frozen) | { | cwt. £'000 | 5,414 87 | 4,259 71 | 2,479 54 | 888 14 |
| Poultry (frozen) | | £'000 | 905 | 523 | 140 | 67 |
| Rabbits and Hares (frozen) (b) | { | '000 pairs £'000 | 8,920 2,347 | 6,232 1,843 | 3,876 1,045 | 1,110 299 |
| Preserved in Tins | { | cwt. £'000 | 416,584 5,252 | 814,990 11,495 | 482,652 7,821 | 118,931 2,216 |
| Sausage Casings | { | cwt. £'000 | 9,366 1,015 | 18,204 1,177 | 17,041 958 | 3,901 279 |
| All Other Meats | | £'000 | 1,922 | 779 | 688 | 219 |
| Milk and Cream | | £'000 | 5,489 | 7,043 | 6,670 | 768 |
| Hides and Skins— | | | | | | |
| Sheep (with wool) | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 28,704 5,712 | 45,514 7,051 | 35,054 6,158 | 7,317 1,434 |
| Rabbit and Hare | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 2,835 485 | 3,433 476 | 2,538 475 | 795 146 |
| Other Skins | | £'000 | 718 | 1,035 | 1,002 | 145 |
| Tallow (inedible) | { | cwt. £'000 | 56,248 327 | 173,636 627 | 192,477 675 | 13,405 67 |
| Eggs in shell | { | '000 doz. £'000 | 2,339 402 | 4,733 1,001 | 2,024 447 | 1,293 182 |
| Eggs not in shell | | £'000 | 264 | 646 | 1,064 | .. |
| Cheese | { | '000 lb. £'000 | 31,258 2,995 | 37,187 4,114 | 37,865 4,093 | 2,428 347 |

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Carcasses only excluding rabbit and hare meat.

VI.—LAND TRANSPORT.

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS).

| Particulars. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| Average Mileage operated | 4,754 | 4,687 | 4,687 | 4,678 | 4,574 |
| Traffic Trains Mileage— | | | | | |
| Passenger—Suburban '000 | 7,671 | 6,300 | 7,267 | 7,589 | 8,193 |
| Country '000 | 4,764 | 3,393 | 3,929 | 4,343 | 4,616 |
| Goods '000 | 5,455 | 4,882 | 5,777 | 5,758 | 5,494 |
| Total '000 | 17,890 | 14,575 | 16,973 | 17,690 | 18,303 |
| Passenger Journeys—Suburban .. '000 | 135,546 | 134,344 | 157,138 | 154,997 | 157,658 |
| Country '000 | 6,578 | 6,969 | 7,993 | 7,860 | 8,447 |
| Total '000 | 142,124 | 141,313 | 165,131 | 162,857 | 166,105 |
| Goods Carried tons '000 | 5,250 | 7,043 | 8,574 | 8,580 | 8,622 |
| Live Stock Carried tons '000 | 726 | 496 | 630 | 612 | 579 |
| Gross Ton Mileage '000 | 4,734,904 | 4,747,742 | 5,518,880 | 5,814,354 | 6,088,695 |
| Contents Ton Mileage— | | | | | |
| Goods (incl. Live Stock) '000 | 760,485 | 1,057,051 | 1,280,191 | 1,262,454 | 1,269,772 |
| Average Haul per Ton— | | | | | |
| Goods (inc. Live Stock) miles | 127·26 | 140·21 | 139·08 | 137·35 | 138·01 |

| Particulars. | Traffic Train Mileage During the Year Ended 30th June, 1954. | | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | Steam. | Electric Motor. | Rail Motor. | Electric Locomotive. | Diesel Electric Locomotive. | Total. |
| Passenger Trains— | | | | | | |
| Suburban miles '000 | 29 | 8,079 | 85 | .. | .. | 8,193 |
| Country miles '000 | 1,545 | .. | 1,725 | 3 | 1,343 | 4,616 |
| Goods Trains miles '000 | 4,130 | 4 | .. | 73 | 1,287 | 5,494 |
| Total Traffic Train Mileage miles '000 | 5,704 | 8,083 | 1,810 | 76 | 2,630 | 18,303 |

| Particulars. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------|--------|
| | 1939. | 1951. (c). | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| Gross Revenue— | | | | | |
| Ordinary £'000 | 9,284 | 18,660 | 24,339 | 31,867 | 35,706 |
| Recoup by State Treasury towards Interest, &c. £'000 | .. | 1,786 | 1,751 | 1,795 | 1,931 |
| Total Revenue £'000 | 9,284 | 20,446 | 26,090 | 33,662 | 37,637 |
| Working Expenses (a) £'000 | 8,060 | 20,811 | 29,613 | 34,008 | 35,950 |
| Net Earnings (b) £'000 | 1,224 | — 365 | — 3,523 | — 346 | 1,687 |
| Interest Charges, Exchange and Contributions to National Debt Sinking Fund, &c. .. £'000 | 2,168 | 2,372 | 2,343 | 2,428 | 2,591 |
| Net Result for Year £'000 | — 944 | — 2,737 | — 5,866 | — 2,774 | — 904 |

(a) Including cost of pensions and Pay-roll Tax.

(b) Before the payment of capital charges, viz., interest, exchange, sinking fund, &c.

(c) Due to a railway strike the services did not operate during the period from 16th October, 1950, to 9th December, 1950 (55 days).

(d) Not yet available.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD.

| Particulars. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | Period from 1st July, 1954, to 2nd October, 1954. |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| | 1939. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. | |
| Tramway Track Open— | | | | | |
| Double miles | (a) 127·3 | 127·8 | 128·8 | 129·6 | 129·6 |
| Single miles | 5·9 | 5·2 | 4·2 | 4·2 | 4·2 |
| Motor Omnibus Route .. miles | 48·6 | 66·7 | 68·9 | 64·1 | 64·1 |
| Vehicle Mileage— | | | | | |
| Tramways '000 | 22,981 | 21,648 | 22,215 | 22,000 | 5,662 |
| Motor Omnibuses '000 | 2,165 | 7,598 | 8,076 | 7,892 | 1,929 |
| Passenger Journeys— | | | | | |
| Tramways '000 | 182,094 | 217,684 | 207,398 | 204,747 | 15,597 |
| Motor Omnibuses '000 | 11,911 | 62,619 | 61,045 | 59,111 | 4,244 |
| Revenue— | | | | | |
| Traffic Receipts | £'000 2,305 | £'000 5,876 | £'000 6,635 | £'000 6,598 | £'000 1,692 |
| Other | 15 | 65 | 67 | 45 | 10 |
| Total Revenue | 2,320 | 5,941 | 6,702 | 6,643 | 1,702 |
| Operating Expenses and Fixed Charges | (b) 1,517 | (c) 6,033 | (c) 6,669 | (c) 6,867 | (c) 1,770 |
| Surplus on Operation | 803 | .. | 33 | .. | .. |
| Deficit on Operation | .. | 92 | .. | 224 | 68 |

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(a) Including 7·94 miles of cable tramway. The cable tramway service ceased operation on 26th October, 1940.

(b) Excluding interest and other charges and appropriations.

(c) Including rates, interest, and depreciation, but excluding appropriations.

VICTORIA—MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

(Excluding Commonwealth-owned vehicles and Defence Service vehicles.)

| Period. | | | | Motor Vehicles— | | | | Motor Cycles. |
|---|----|----|----|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------|---------------|
| | | | | Private. | Commercial and Hire. | Primary Producers' (a). | Total. | |
| NEW REGISTRATIONS. | | | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 Year | .. | .. | .. | 15,249 | 3,953 | 2,494 | 21,696 | 2,140 |
| 1950-51 | " | .. | .. | 36,565 | 12,333 | 6,528 | 55,426 | 5,441 |
| 1951-52 | " | .. | .. | 42,258 | 13,776 | 8,461 | 64,495 | 5,387 |
| 1952-53 | " | .. | .. | 28,556 | 7,272 | 4,343 | 40,171 | 2,523 |
| 1953-54 | " | .. | .. | 36,258 | 7,957 | 3,801 | 48,016 | 2,482 |
| Three months ended 30th September 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 13,910 | 2,771 | 1,367 | 18,048 | 590 |
| RE-REGISTRATION OF USED VEHICLES. | | | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 Year | .. | .. | .. | 13,718 | 3,459 | 3,277 | 20,454 | 4,787 |
| 1950-51 | " | .. | .. | 15,806 | 4,935 | 3,385 | 24,126 | 4,697 |
| 1951-52 | " | .. | .. | 19,248 | 5,624 | 3,855 | 28,727 | 6,203 |
| 1952-53 | " | .. | .. | 15,966 | 4,392 | 2,598 | 22,956 | 6,259 |
| 1953-54 | " | .. | .. | 14,356 | 3,914 | 2,358 | 20,628 | 5,195 |
| Three months ended 30th September, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 5,335 | 1,491 | 997 | 7,823 | 1,464 |
| RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION. | | | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 Year | .. | .. | .. | 122,164 | 28,750 | 41,656 | 192,570 | 19,771 |
| 1950-51 | " | .. | .. | 206,338 | 61,097 | 59,639 | 327,074 | 23,393 |
| 1951-52 | " | .. | .. | 280,997 | 71,614 | 46,011 | 398,622 | 25,506 |
| 1952-53 | " | .. | .. | 326,348 | 75,774 | 37,020 | 439,142 | 24,655 |
| 1953-54 | " | .. | .. | 342,039 | 74,173 | 39,339 | 455,551 | 23,163 |
| Three months ended 30th September, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 90,775 | 20,688 | 10,098 | 121,561 | 4,642 |
| TOTAL REGISTRATIONS. | | | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 Year | .. | .. | .. | 151,131 | 36,162 | 47,427 | 234,720 | 26,698 |
| 1950-51 | " | .. | .. | 258,709 | 78,365 | 69,552 | 406,626 | 33,531 |
| 1951-52 | " | .. | .. | 342,503 | 91,014 | 58,327 | 491,844 | 37,196 |
| 1952-53 | " | .. | .. | 370,870 | 87,438 | 43,961 | 502,269 | 33,437 |
| 1953-54 | " | .. | .. | 392,653 | 86,044 | 45,498 | 524,195 | 30,840 |
| Three months ended 30th September, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 110,020 | 24,950 | 12,462 | 147,432 | 6,696 |

(a) Prior to 12th November, 1951, primary producers' vehicles included private cars and commercial vehicles, but since that date only vehicles, constructed for the carriage of goods and used by primary producers solely in connection with business, are included under this heading.

VICTORIA—TRANSPORT BOARD LICENCES AND PERMITS.

| Type of Licence or Permit. | Licences in Force at 30th June— | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| | 1939. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| Temporary Licences— | | | | |
| Commercial Passenger Vehicles | 79 | 988 | 138 | 72 |
| Commercial Goods Vehicles | 1,098 | 3,837 | 2,033 | 1,737 |
| Total, Temporary Licences | 1,177 | 4,825 | 2,171 | 1,809 |
| Permanent "Discretionary" Licences— | | | | |
| Commercial Passenger Vehicles | 976 | 3,620 | 5,258 | 5,282 |
| Commercial Goods Vehicles | 1,894 | 2,213 | 2,462 | 2,478 |
| Total, "Discretionary" Licences | 2,870 | 5,833 | 7,720 | 7,760 |
| Licences Issued "As of Right"— | | | | |
| To operate for hire or reward— | | | | |
| Within 25 miles of Melbourne | 4,751 | 10,811 | 10,274 | 9,529 |
| Within 25 miles of Ballarat, Bendigo, or Geelong | 439 | 1,252 | 1,302 | 1,232 |
| Within 20 miles of places of business of owners generally outside radius of Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong | 4,203 | 8,900 | 8,888 | 8,227 |
| Primary Producers | 699 | 7,825 | 9,299 | 9,991 |
| Commercial Goods Vehicles owned by Butter and Cheese Factories | 297 | 692 | 743 | 669 |
| Ancillary Carriers | 20,062 | 27,029 | 27,075 | 25,115 |
| Vehicles carrying Third Schedule Goods, Racecourse Floats, Petroleum Tank Wagons, and Commercial Travellers' Vehicles | 914 | 5,950 | 6,870 | 7,193 |
| Total, "As of Right" | 31,365 | 62,459 | 64,451 | 61,956 |
| Additional Licences to Commercial Goods Vehicles to Carry Passengers | 558 | 201 | 150 | 170 |
| Aircraft Licence | .. | .. | 1 | 1 |
| Grand Total Licences | 35,970 | 73,318 | 74,493 | 71,696 |
| Permits to operate temporarily outside the conditions of the Licences— | | | | |
| Commercial Passenger Vehicles | (a) | 4,437 | 4,957 | 4,526 |
| Commercial Goods Vehicles | (a) | 99,414 | 83,398 | 86,905 |
| Total Permits | (a) | 103,851 | 88,355 | 91,431 |

(a) Not available.

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.
(As reported to the Police.)

| Period. | Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured. | Persons Killed. | Persons Injured. | Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured. | Persons Killed. | Persons Injured. |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|
| | <i>City of Melbourne.(a)</i> | | | <i>Outside Metropolitan Area.</i> | | |
| 1938-39 Year | 1,470 | 47 | 1,593 | 1,558 | 194 | 1,973 |
| 1950-51 " | 1,253 | 54 | 1,392 | 3,498 | 305 | 4,781 |
| 1951-52 " | 1,373 | 49 | 1,602 | 3,783 | 340 | 5,179 |
| 1952-53 " | 1,310 | 42 | 1,525 | 4,048 | 300 | 5,460 |
| 1953-54 " | 1,086 | 28 | 1,248 | 4,251 | 315 | 5,858 |
| 1952-53— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 355 | 20 | 397 | 906 | 98 | 1,188 |
| December Quarter | 301 | 2 | 361 | 920 | 65 | 1,256 |
| March Quarter | 318 | 5 | 371 | 1,090 | 60 | 1,503 |
| June Quarter | 336 | 15 | 396 | 1,132 | 77 | 1,513 |
| 1953-54— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 327 | 13 | 362 | 973 | 74 | 1,333 |
| December Quarter | 291 | 8 | 332 | 950 | 62 | 1,303 |
| March Quarter | 294 | 4 | 350 | 1,129 | 80 | 1,602 |
| June Quarter | 174 | 3 | 204 | 1,199 | 99 | 1,620 |
| | <i>Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne)</i> | | | <i>Total—Victoria.</i> | | |
| 1938-39 Year | 3,508 | 177 | 3,862 | 6,536 | 418 | 7,428 |
| 1950-51 " | 4,523 | 222 | 5,191 | 9,274 | 581 | 11,364 |
| 1951-52 " | 4,955 | 214 | 5,750 | 10,111 | 603 | 12,531 |
| 1952-53 " | 4,740 | 173 | 5,579 | 10,098 | 515 | 12,564 |
| 1953-54 " | 4,785 | 148 | 5,701 | 10,122 | 491 | 12,807 |
| 1952-53— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 1,273 | 48 | 1,465 | 2,534 | 166 | 3,050 |
| December Quarter | 1,081 | 28 | 1,322 | 2,302 | 95 | 2,939 |
| March Quarter | 1,170 | 40 | 1,393 | 2,578 | 105 | 3,267 |
| June Quarter | 1,216 | 57 | 1,399 | 2,684 | 149 | 3,308 |
| 1953-54— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 1,196 | 44 | 1,415 | 2,496 | 131 | 3,110 |
| December Quarter | 1,162 | 25 | 1,373 | 2,403 | 95 | 3,008 |
| March Quarter | 1,085 | 30 | 1,304 | 2,508 | 114 | 3,256 |
| June Quarter | 1,342 | 49 | 1,609 | 2,715 | 151 | 3,433 |

(a) Municipality of the City of Melbourne.

VII.—FINANCE.

VICTORIA—CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

| Heads of Revenue. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Taxation (a) | 10,085 | 9,315 | 12,232 | 14,364 | 17,206 |
| Railways | 9,349 | 18,798 | 24,226 | 31,520 | 35,698 |
| Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. | 2,300 | 3,847 | 4,805 | 5,179 | 5,393 |
| Land | 387 | 1,167 | 1,889 | 2,663 | 2,683 |
| Interest n.e.l. | 1,881 | 1,862 | 2,267 | 2,641 | 3,054 |
| Commonwealth Payments— | | | | | |
| Under Financial Agreement | 2,127 | 2,127 | 2,127 | 2,127 | 2,127 |
| " States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act .. | | 17,446 | 20,347 | 26,028 | 29,352 |
| " States Grants (Administration of Controls) Act .. | | 186 | 220 | 262 | |
| " States Grants (Special Assistance) Act .. | | 4,750 | 9,124 | 7,131 | 5,622 |
| All other Revenue | 857 | 4,048 | 4,275 | 4,934 | 5,470 |
| Total Revenue | 26,986 | 63,546 | 81,512 | 96,849 | 106,605 |
| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Total Revenue per Head of Population .. | 14 8 3 | 28 8 2 | 35 8 4 | 40 19 11 | 44 8 11 |

(a) For details see page 34.

VICTORIA—EXPENDITURE FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

| Heads of Expenditure. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Public Debt Charges— | | | | | |
| Interest on Funded Debt .. | 6,640 | 7,186 | 8,157 | 9,067 | 10,760 |
| Exchange on Interest Payments .. | 669 | 578 | 578 | 575 | 559 |
| Sinking Fund Contributions .. | 859 | 2,059 | 2,265 | 2,587 | 2,928 |
| Other | 62 | 80 | 74 | 69 | 80 |
| Railways | 7,694 | 19,844 | 28,275 | 32,976 | 34,465 |
| Other Business and Industrial Undertakings | 980 | 2,542 | 3,367 | 4,025 | 4,180 |
| Education | 3,123 | 10,644 | 13,230 | 15,987 | 17,391 |
| Public Health | 143 | 614 | 786 | 947 | 1,078 |
| Hospitals | 1,054 | 6,450 | 9,688 | 10,570 | 11,601 |
| Other Charities (a) | 2,302 | 1,353 | 1,837 | 2,417 | 2,867 |
| Law, Order, and Public Safety .. | 1,285 | 4,108 | 5,236 | 5,736 | 6,005 |
| All other Expenditure | 2,962 | 8,431 | 10,425 | 12,258 | 13,980 |
| Total Expenditure | 27,773 | 63,889 | 83,918 | 97,214 | 105,894 |
| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Total Expenditure per Head of Population .. | 14 16 8 | 28 11 3 | 36 9 3 | 41 3 0 | 43 18 1 |

(a) Including contributions to Unemployment Relief Fund.

VICTORIA—STATE TAXATION.

| Tax. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| State Taxation Collections— | | | | | |
| Income Taxes (a) | 6,251 | 53 | 29 | 57 | 27 |
| Land Tax | 482 | 415 | 876 | 1,370 | 2,016 |
| Probate Duty | 1,374 | 3,442 | 3,874 | 4,833 | 5,387 |
| Stamp Duties, n.e.i. | 960 | 2,987 | 3,321 | 3,206 | 3,685 |
| Motor Taxation | 1,914 | 3,808 | 5,215 | 5,455 | 5,906 |
| Racing Taxation | 391(b) | 1,609 | 2,113 | 2,254 | 2,451 |
| Entertainments Tax (excluding Racing) | 286 | | | | 656 |
| Liquor Licences | 250 | 780 | 1,323 | 1,761 | 1,963 |
| All other Taxes | 110 | 132 | 192 | 221 | 232 |
| Paid to Consolidated Revenue .. | 10,085 | 9,315 | 12,232 | 14,364 | 17,206 |
| Paid to Special Funds .. | 1,938 | 3,911 | 4,711 | 4,793 | 5,117 |
| Total State Collections .. | 12,023 | 13,226 | 16,943 | 19,157 | 22,323 |
| Commonwealth Reimbursement— | | | | | |
| Uniform Tax | | 17,446 | 20,347 | 26,028 | 29,352 |
| Grand Total .. | 12,023 | 30,672 | 37,290 | 45,185 | 51,675 |
| Per head of Population— | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| State Collections | 6 8 5 | 5 18 3 | 7 7 3 | 8 2 2 | 9 5 1 |
| Commonwealth Reimbursement .. | .. | 7 16 0 | 8 16 10 | 11 0 4 | 12 3 5 |
| Total | 6 8 5 | 13 14 3 | 16 4 1 | 19 2 6 | 21 8 6 |

(a) Including Unemployment Relief Tax.

(b) Including Entertainments Tax on horse and dog racing.

VICTORIA—STATE EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUNDS AND ON ACCOUNT OF LOANS.

| Heads of Expenditure. | During Year Ended 30th June— | | | Total to 30th June, 1954. |
|--|------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. | |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Public Works— | | | | |
| Railways— | | | | |
| As reduced | 10,498 | 7,100 | 8,839 | 89,462 |
| Transferred | | | | 29,135 |
| Roads and Bridges | 1,094 | 1,219 | 1,537 | 18,181 |
| Water Supply and Sewerage | 10,699 | 7,000 | 8,572 | 75,979 |
| Electricity Supply | 9,000 | 7,000 | 6,000 | 41,089 |
| Public Buildings— | | | | |
| Schools | 3,521 | 3,382 | 4,845 | 25,211 |
| Hospitals | 2,952 | 3,640 | 5,390 | 18,307 |
| Other | 799 | 841 | 753 | 5,515 |
| Housing | 4,185 | 1,222 | 41 | 9,813 |
| Unemployment Relief | | | | 13,147 |
| Other Public Works | 829 | 1,041 | 691 | 8,707 |
| Primary Production— | | | | |
| Land Settlement (a) | 5,754 | 4,650 | 4,923 | 79,724 |
| Advances to Settlers (b) | | 1 | | 3,765 |
| Wire Netting Advances | 23 | 32 | 2 | 1,042 |
| Bulk Handling of Wheat | | | 250 | 1,404 |
| Forestry | 1,390 | 787 | 900 | 13,082 |
| Mining (including State Coal Mine) | 38 | 16 | 5 | 845 |
| Other Primary Production | 125 | 88 | 75 | 1,827 |
| Coal (Overseas Purchase) | Cr. 4 | Cr. 27 | | 1,960 |
| Gas and Fuel Corporation | 2,393 | 2,455 | 1,995 | 9,394 |
| Rural Finance Corporation | 1,600 | 900 | 700 | 4,019 |
| Other Purposes | 188 | 228 | 146 | 1,392 |
| Total Public Works, &c. .. | 55,084 | 41,575 | 45,644 | 453,000 |
| In Aid of Revenue | 2,000 | 2,400 | | 15,455 |
| Grand Total | 57,084 | 43,975 | 45,664 | 468,455 |

(a) Including Soldier Settlement.

(b) Including Drought Relief.

VICTORIA—STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

| At 30th June— | Repayable in— | | | Total. | Total Public Debt per Head of Population. |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|------------|---------|---|
| | London. | New York. | Australia. | | |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £ s. d. |
| 1914 | 39,275 | .. | 26,856 | 66,131 | 46 10 1 |
| 1919 | 43,400 | .. | 39,994 | 83,394 | 56 11 8 |
| 1929 | 59,835 | 4,658 | 89,336 | 153,829 | 86 19 7 |
| 1939 | 62,498 | 4,499 | 112,701 | 179,698 | 95 13 3 |
| 1953 | 45,023 | 4,424 | 290,072 | 339,519 | 142 7 11 |
| 1954 | 44,908 | 3,600 | 328,456 | 376,964 | 153 18 11 |

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a)—AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES IN VICTORIA

| Period. | | | | Deposits— | | | Advances. | Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits. |
|-------------------------------|----|----|----|-------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | Bearing Interest. | Not Bearing Interest. | Total. | | |
| | | | | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | % |
| Year 1949-50 | .. | .. | .. | 80,385 | 229,042 | 309,427 | 155,550 | 50·27 |
| „ 1950-51 | .. | .. | .. | 98,050 | 310,069 | 408,119 | 179,967 | 44·10 |
| „ 1951-52 | .. | .. | .. | 94,332 | 329,236 | 423,568 | 228,984 | 54·06 |
| „ 1952-53 | .. | .. | .. | 83,297 | 321,396 | 404,693 | 224,091 | 55·37 |
| „ 1953-54 | .. | .. | .. | 90,784 | 353,742 | 444,526 | 218,046 | 49·05 |
| Quarter ended September, 1953 | .. | .. | .. | 84,845 | 331,011 | 415,856 | 206,840 | 49·74 |
| „ „ December, 1953 | .. | .. | .. | 90,577 | 343,987 | 434,564 | 220,068 | 50·64 |
| „ „ March, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 93,028 | 365,896 | 458,924 | 221,251 | 48·21 |
| „ „ June, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 95,126 | 375,074 | 470,200 | 225,043 | 47·86 |
| „ „ September, 1954 | .. | .. | .. | 100,900 | 349,729 | 450,629 | 235,115 | 52·17 |
| 1953—Month of July | .. | .. | .. | 86,034 | 336,615 | 422,649 | 205,199 | 48·55 |
| „ „ August | .. | .. | .. | 83,419 | 326,918 | 410,337 | 205,872 | 50·17 |
| „ „ September | .. | .. | .. | 84,798 | 328,682 | 413,480 | 209,256 | 50·61 |
| 1954—Month of July | .. | .. | .. | 98,761 | 354,513 | 453,274 | 230,561 | 50·87 |
| „ „ August | .. | .. | .. | 98,429 | 349,066 | 447,495 | 235,593 | 52·65 |
| „ „ September | .. | .. | .. | 104,589 | 346,431 | 451,020 | 240,375 | 53·30 |

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act* 1945. Includes seven Private Trading Banks; Ballarat Banking Co. Ltd.; Bank of New Zealand; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; and the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia which on 3rd December, 1953, took over the business of the General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Average deposits and advances at close of business on Wednesdays in periods.

MELBOURNE BANKS' CLEARING HOUSE.

| Period. | | | | | | Total Amount Cleared. |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | £'000 |
| 1929 Year | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 814,668 |
| 1939 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 864,631 |
| 1949 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,778,182 |
| 1950 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3,652,973 |
| 1951 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,600,401 |
| 1952 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,204,105 |
| 1953 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,275,071 |
| 1952—September Quarter | | | | | | 954,585 |
| December Quarter | | | | | | 997,759 |
| 1953—March Quarter | | | | | | 986,166 |
| June Quarter | | | | | | 1,178,967 |
| September Quarter | | | | | | 992,019 |
| December Quarter | | | | | | 1,117,919 |
| 1954—March Quarter | | | | | | 1,104,652 |
| June Quarter | | | | | | 1,309,519 |
| September Quarter | | | | | | 1,158,432 |

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS IN VICTORIA.

| Period. | Deposits— | | | Total Deposits per Head of Population. |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|--|
| | State Savings Bank (a). | Commonwealth Savings Bank. | Total. | |
| At 30th June— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £ s. d. |
| 1929 .. | 66,130 | 6,577 | 72,707 | 41 2 2 |
| 1931 .. | 57,138 | 6,104 | 63,242 | 35 2 10 |
| 1939 .. | 69,219 | 11,242 | 80,461 | 42 15 4 |
| 1949 .. | 187,359 | 51,887 | 239,246 | 111 16 10 |
| 1950 . | 198,680 | 58,441 | 257,121 | 116 14 5 |
| 1951 .. | 213,687 | 68,092 | 281,779 | 124 3 5 |
| 1952 .. | 224,347 | 76,485 | 300,832 | 128 16 2 |
| 1953 .. | 234,834 | 85,137 | 319,971 | 134 4 0 |
| 1954 .. | 245,607 | 94,174 | 339,781 | 138 15 2 |
| At 30th September, 1954 .. | 249,375 | 97,209 | 346,584 | 140 12 0 |

(a) Includes School Bank and Deposit Stock Accounts.

VICTORIA—MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE.

| Period | Mortgages Registered during Period. | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|
| | Under Transfer of Land Acts (a). | | Under Property Law Act (b). | | Total. | |
| | Number. | Consideration (c). | Number. | Consideration (c). | Number. | Consideration (c). |
| Year ended 31st December— | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £ 000 |
| 1929 | 27,916 | 21,082 | 899 | 968 | 28,815 | 22,050 |
| 1939 | 19,144 | 12,244 | 853 | 773 | 19,997 | 13,017 |
| 1949 | 27,868 | 21,136 | 904 | 683 | 28,772 | 21,819 |
| 1950 | 35,914 | 24,339 | 1,210 | 3,407 | 37,124 | 27,746 |
| 1951 | 37,856 | 39,903 | 1,317 | 2,419 | 39,173 | 42,322 |
| 1952 | 35,545 | 63,894 | 1,245 | 2,083 | 36,790 | 65,977 |
| 1953 | 40,252 | 58,182 | 1,398 | 1,459 | 41,650 | 59,641 |
| 1952— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 9,464 | 17,000 | 341 | 526 | 9,805 | 17,526 |
| December Quarter | 8,931 | 13,186 | 331 | 392 | 9,262 | 13,578 |
| 1953— | | | | | | |
| March Quarter | 8,213 | 13,383 | 293 | 251 | 8,506 | 13,634 |
| June Quarter | 10,064 | 11,889 | 317 | 391 | 10,381 | 12,280 |
| September Quarter | 11,841 | 14,534 | 405 | 490 | 12,246 | 15,024 |
| December Quarter | 10,134 | 18,376 | 383 | 327 | 10,517 | 18,703 |
| 1954— | | | | | | |
| March Quarter | 8,905 | 9,224 | 357 | 474 | 9,262 | 9,698 |
| June Quarter | 8,800 | 13,109 | 366 | 568 | 9,166 | 13,677 |
| September Quarter | 11,028 | 16,047 | 369 | 504 | 11,397 | 16,551 |

(a) Mortgages under the Transfer of Land Act are in respect of land brought under that Act subsequent to 1862 and land alienated by the Crown since that date.

(b) Mortgages under the Property Law Act are in respect of land alienated by the Crown prior to 1862 and not subsequently brought under the Transfer of Land Acts.

(c) Excluding the amounts owing under mortgages given to secure overdrafts on current account.

VICTORIA—COMPANIES REGISTERED UNDER COMPANIES ACT.

| Particulars. | Year Ended 31st December— | | | | Nine Months Ended 30th September, 1954. |
|--|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | |
| Number registered during period— | | | | | |
| Victorian Trading | 537 | 1,046 | 808 | 1,109 | 1,123 |
| Foreign | 37 | 98 | 97 | 107 | 89 |
| Mining | 28 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 15 |
| Total | 602 | 1,148 | 909 | 1,224 | 1,227 |
| Nominal Capital of Companies registered during period— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Victorian Trading | 17,302 | 63,017 | 52,264 | 63,640 | 75,927 |
| Foreign | 8,975 | 45,651 | 29,758 | 33,682 | 32,461 |
| Mining | .. | 1,308 | 45 | 805 | 82 |
| Number of Existing Companies at end of period— | | | | | |
| Victorian Trading | 10,229 | 12,885 | 13,282 | 14,093 | 14,798 |
| Foreign | 643 | 1,120 | 1,179 | 1,256 | 1,290 |
| Increase during the period in nominal Capital of Existing Companies— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Victorian Trading | 6,854 | 95,225 | 49,978 | 61,205 | 62,363 |
| Mining | 1,097 | 1,434 | 902 | 1,692 | 11,849 |

VIII.—PRODUCTION.

VICTORIA—RAINFALL, YEARLY AND MONTHLY RECORDS AND MEANS.

| Period. | Districts. | | | | | | | | Whole State— Weighted Average. |
|------------------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Mallee. | Wimmera. | Northern. | North-Central. | North-Eastern. | Western. | Central. | Gippsland. | |
| | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. |
| Averages 1911–1940 (a) | 12.49 | 17.52 | 18.06 | 27.06 | 34.81 | 27.58 | 29.64 | 33.47 | 24.28 |
| Year— | | | | | | | | | |
| 1949 .. | 11.80 | 16.67 | 20.45 | 31.35 | 33.72 | 26.91 | 32.62 | 36.72 | 25.05 |
| 1950 .. | 17.57 | 20.04 | 23.67 | 31.63 | 35.03 | 24.01 | 30.82 | 36.65 | 26.52 |
| 1951 .. | 12.09 | 19.61 | 20.26 | 31.87 | 37.45 | 33.32 | 34.71 | 41.78 | 27.91 |
| 1952 .. | 15.22 | 21.87 | 21.86 | 35.56 | 46.24 | 39.30 | 40.66 | 48.71 | 32.75 |
| 1953 .. | 12.27 | 19.62 | 16.81 | 28.69 | 35.57 | 30.40 | 30.75 | 35.29 | 25.38 |
| 1953— | | | | | | | | | |
| July .. | 1.50 | 2.93 | 1.87 | 3.48 | 4.89 | 4.22 | 2.59 | 3.14 | 3.02 |
| August .. | 1.84 | 2.87 | 2.72 | 3.98 | 5.12 | 3.74 | 3.46 | 3.75 | 3.32 |
| September .. | 1.78 | 2.16 | 2.44 | 4.21 | 5.20 | 3.65 | 3.90 | 3.20 | 3.14 |
| Nine Months of 1953 .. | 9.42 | 14.66 | 12.82 | 21.33 | 27.89 | 21.29 | 20.95 | 23.09 | 18.31 |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | | |
| January .. | 1.35 | 1.50 | 3.18 | 2.38 | 4.33 | 1.30 | 2.06 | 3.48 | 2.38 |
| February .. | 0.16 | 0.10 | 0.58 | 1.13 | 1.13 | 0.94 | 2.09 | 3.14 | 1.11 |
| March .. | 0.18 | 0.27 | 0.18 | 0.41 | 0.34 | 1.04 | 0.67 | 0.91 | 0.51 |
| April .. | 2.17 | 3.72 | 1.77 | 2.87 | 3.01 | 3.77 | 2.64 | 1.69 | 2.68 |
| May .. | 0.53 | 0.69 | 0.82 | 1.54 | 1.64 | 1.88 | 1.77 | 1.82 | 1.28 |
| June .. | 0.61 | 1.35 | 1.16 | 2.17 | 3.07 | 2.86 | 2.51 | 4.13 | 2.21 |
| July .. | 1.11 | 1.63 | 1.19 | 2.00 | 2.20 | 1.96 | 1.78 | 2.43 | 1.76 |
| August .. | 1.64 | 1.81 | 2.18 | 3.16 | 3.88 | 2.51 | 2.75 | 2.54 | 2.45 |
| September .. | 0.68 | 0.95 | 1.33 | 2.11 | 1.93 | 2.25 | 2.34 | 1.53 | 1.53 |
| Nine Months of 1954 .. | 8.43 | 12.02 | 12.39 | 17.77 | 21.53 | 18.51 | 18.61 | 21.67 | 15.91 |

(a) Averages for a standard 30 years' period, 1911–1940.

VICTORIA—ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD OF PRINCIPAL CROPS

| Season. | For Grain— | | | Hay. | Potatoes. | Grapes for Drying (a). | Fruit (b). |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| | Wheat. | Oats. | Barley. | | | | |
| Area of Crops. | | | | | | | |
| | Acres. | Acres. | Acres. | Acres. | Acres. | Acres. | Acres. |
| 1949-50 .. | 2,828,273 | 483,190 | 236,123 | 606,525 | 50,651 | 34,284 | 56,467 |
| 1950-51 .. | 2,735,473 | 527,217 | 217,096 | 557,454 | 52,482 | 34,438 | 55,850 |
| 1951-52 .. | 2,463,574 | 676,503 | 186,224 | 640,418 | 42,108 | 34,633 | 55,376 |
| 1952-53 .. | 2,232,097 | 756,129 | 234,597 | 752,932 | 52,851 | 35,706 | 52,729 |
| 1953-54 .. | 2,389,304 | 583,075 | 374,555 | (c) 807,223 | (d) 52,150 | 35,735 | (e) |
| Total Production. | | | | | | | |
| | Bushels. | Bushels. | Bushels. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons (f) | |
| 1949-50 .. | 57,433,835 | 8,718,307 | 4,876,180 | 1,000,855 | 167,881 | 49,124 | .. |
| 1950-51 .. | 51,235,929 | 9,034,005 | 4,510,079 | 894,585 | 139,391 | 34,087 | .. |
| 1951-52 .. | 45,994,752 | 11,151,260 | 3,619,576 | 1,046,764 | 178,399 | 48,692 | .. |
| 1952-53 .. | 50,334,634 | 12,599,050 | 4,734,175 | 1,245,217 | 133,148 | 61,687 | .. |
| 1953-54 .. | 53,697,611 | 9,851,703 | 7,932,103 | 1,360,662 | (e) | 55,742 | .. |
| Average Yield per Acre. | | | | | | | |
| | Bushels. | Bushels. | Bushels. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons (f). | |
| 1949-50 .. | 20.31 | 18.04 | 20.65 | 1.65 | 3.31 | 1.43 | .. |
| 1950-51 .. | 18.73 | 17.14 | 20.77 | 1.60 | 2.66 | 0.99 | .. |
| 1951-52 .. | 18.67 | 16.48 | 19.44 | 1.63 | 4.24 | 1.41 | .. |
| 1952-53 .. | 22.55 | 16.66 | 20.18 | 1.65 | 2.52 | 1.73 | .. |
| 1953-54 .. | 22.47 | 16.90 | 21.18 | 1.69 | (e) | 1.56 | .. |

(a) Excluding table grapes, wine grapes and unproductive vines, the area of which in 1953–54 amounted to 1,740, 5,319 and 2,984 acres respectively.

(b) Productive orchards only. The area of unproductive orchards in 1952–53 was 14,505 acres. Owing to the varying units of quantity, total production cannot be conveniently shown in this statement (See *Victorian Year-Book*).

(c) Including wheaten 39,793 acres and oatens 240,031 acres.

(d) Subject to revision.

(e) Not yet available.

(f) Weight of dried produce.

LIVE STOCK IN VICTORIA.

| At 31st March— | Horses. | Cattle. | | | Pigs. | Sheep. |
|----------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| | | All Dairy Cattle. | Beef Cattle. | Total. | | |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| 1950 | 200,143 | 1,525,183 | 705,765 | 2,230,948 | 212,901 | 19,161,043 |
| 1951 | 186,415 | 1,489,393 | 726,860 | 2,216,253 | 237,127 | 20,011,933 |
| 1952 | 169,246 | 1,438,523 | 776,007 | 2,214,530 | 213,670 | 21,537,229 |
| 1953 | 153,662 | 1,476,980 | 820,228 | 2,297,208 | 182,824 | 21,368,196 |
| 1954 (a) .. | 140,818 | 1,552,968 | 817,216 | 2,370,184 | 232,384 | 21,438,007 |

(a) Revised figures.

VICTORIA—WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE.

| Season. | Clip. | Stripped from and Exported on Skins, &c. (Greasy). | Total Quantity. (Greasy). | Gross Value. | Average Price per lb. |
|---------------|-------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| | '000 lb. | '000 lb. | '000 lb. | £ | d. |
| 1948-49 | 173,867 | 30,213 | 204,080 | 38,894,704 | 45·74 |
| 1949-50 | 188,083 | 37,160 | 225,243 | 57,415,306 | 61·18 |
| 1950-51 | 193,211 | 25,055 | 218,266 | 132,945,656 | 146·18 |
| 1951-52 | 201,776 | 23,182 | 224,958 | 63,637,774 | 67·89 |
| 1952-53 | 214,035 | 38,160 | 252,195 | 78,760,501 | 74·95 |
| 1953-54 | (a) 192,184 | 31,297 | 223,481 | (b) | (b) |

(a) Revised figures.

(b) Not yet available.

VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

| Particulars. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. |
| Factories No. | 9,250 | 13,504 | 14,758 | 15,154 |
| Persons employed (a)— | | | | |
| Males No. | 136,218 | 224,919 | 233,699 | 228,724 |
| Females No. | 65,613 | 91,873 | 90,444 | 82,035 |
| Total No. | 201,831 | 316,792 | 324,143 | 310,759 |
| Wages paid (b)— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Males | 29,006 | 130,923 | 163,688 | 171,897 |
| Females | 7,021 | 32,284 | 38,898 | 38,981 |
| Total | 36,027 | 163,207 | 202,586 | 210,878 |
| Value of— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Fuel, light, and power used | 3,595 | 16,324 | 20,779 | 24,354 |
| Lubricating oil and water used and repairs | 2,655 | 12,791 | 15,707 | 15,948 |
| Materials used (including containers) | 80,722 | 370,258 | 463,121 | 461,811 |
| Production (net) | 65,996 | 275,660 | 334,360 | 358,033 |
| Output | 152,968 | 675,033 | 833,967 | 860,146 |
| Land and buildings | 42,026 | 100,326 | 119,465 | 135,325 |
| Machinery and plant | 38,570 | 107,261 | 128,934 | 147,365 |

(a) Average over whole year. Includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED IN PROCESS OF
MANUFACTURE.

| Class of Industry. | Year Ended 30th June— | | | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 1939. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Treatment of non-metalliferous mine and quarry products | 1,576 | 5,419 | 6,398 | 6,863 |
| Bricks, pottery, glass, &c. .. . | 1,530 | 4,075 | 4,996 | 5,209 |
| Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, oils, and grease | 4,462 | 17,155 | 20,621 | 21,506 |
| Industrial metals, machines, implements, and conveyances | 16,460 | 90,916 | 115,726 | 123,089 |
| Precious metals, jewellery, and plate .. . | 547 | 2,719 | 2,916 | 2,646 |
| Textiles and textile goods (not dress) .. . | 6,324 | 28,780 | 29,301 | 36,219 |
| Skins and leather (not clothing or footwear) .. | 1,373 | 5,496 | 5,341 | 6,617 |
| Clothing | 7,865 | 31,215 | 35,033 | 36,689 |
| Food, drink, and tobacco | 12,610 | 37,248 | 46,771 | 51,322 |
| Woodworking and basketware | 2,391 | 12,013 | 15,045 | 14,473 |
| Furniture, bedding, &c. | 1,281 | 5,305 | 6,192 | 6,001 |
| Paper, stationery, printing, bookbinding, &c. | 4,930 | 17,836 | 23,297 | 23,659 |
| Rubber | 1,573 | 6,507 | 8,029 | 7,092 |
| Musical instruments | 24 | 121 | 182 | 190 |
| Miscellaneous products | 722 | 6,689 | 7,858 | 8,140 |
| Heat, light, and power | 2,328 | 4,166 | 6,654 | 8,318 |
| Total | 65,996 | 275,660 | 334,360 | 358,033 |

Note.—"Added Value" is the source from which provision is made for the following:—Salaries and wages, depreciation, taxation, rent, insurance, miscellaneous expenses and profits.

VICTORIA—VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION, 1952-53.

| Industry. | Gross Value of Production. (a) | Marketing Costs. | Value at Place of Production. | Costs of Production. (b) | Net Value of Production. (b) | Net Value per Head of Population. |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Primary— | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £ s. d. |
| Agriculture | 93,350 | 12,959 | 80,391 | 15,324 | 65,067 | 27 10 10 |
| Pastoral | 124,305 | 10,449 | 113,856 | 5,397 | 108,459 | 45 18 2 |
| Dairying | 51,865 | 2,042 | 49,823 | 7,136 | 42,687 | 18 1 5 |
| Poultry and Bee Farming | 22,130 | 1,672 | 20,458 | 5,302 | 15,156 | 6 8 4 |
| Trapping, Forestry, and Fisheries | 13,483 | 1,109 | 12,374 | .. | 12,374 | 5 4 9 |
| Mining | 9,433 | 898 | 8,535 | 1,904 | 6,631 | 2 16 2 |
| Total Primary .. | 314,566 | 29,129 | 285,437 | 35,063 | 250,374 | 105 19 8 |
| Manufacturing (d) .. | 358,033 | .. | 358,033 | .. | 358,033 | 151 11 0 |
| Total all Industries .. | 672,599 | 29,129 | 643,470 | 35,063 | 608,407 | 257 10 8 |

(a) Gross value is defined as the value placed on recorded production at the wholesale price realized in the principal markets. In cases where primary products are absorbed locally, or where they become raw material for secondary industry, these points are presumed to be the principal markets.

(b) Costs of production include stock feed, seed costs and pickling, manures, spraying, sheep and cattle dips, power, fuel, water, and all other materials used in production, but exclude depreciation, wages and maintenance costs.

(c) Not available.

(d) Manufacturing is included at its net added value because the gross or wholesale selling value contains so much duplication of products, the finished article of one class of manufacture forming in numerous cases the raw material for others.

VICTORIA—NET VALUE (a) OF RECORDED PRODUCTION PER HEAD
OF POPULATION.

| Year. | Industry. | | | | | | | Total. |
|------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|---|---------|---------------------|----------|
| | Agri- culture. | Pastoral. | Dairying. | Poultry and Bee Farming. | Trapping, Forestry and Fishes. | Mining. | Manu- facturing. | |
| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | |
| 1939-40 .. | 6 8 9 | 8 13 10 | 6 10 6 | 1 13 6 | 1 3 1 | 1 2 4 | 39 3 2 | 64 15 2 |
| 1940-41 .. | 3 16 7 | 9 14 2 | 6 16 4 | 1 4 9 | 1 12 9 | 1 6 2 | 46 7 8 | 70 18 5 |
| 1941-42 .. | 8 1 9 | 10 9 6 | 6 9 0 | 1 8 4 | 2 2 1 | 1 2 8 | 56 15 6 | 86 8 10 |
| 1942-43 .. | 10 2 11 | 12 11 4 | 6 6 6 | 2 10 1 | 1 17 6 | 0 19 1 | 61 11 7 | 95 19 0 |
| 1943-44 .. | 8 12 3 | 13 2 9 | 6 19 1 | 2 12 6 | 2 11 0 | 0 15 6 | 62 0 3 | 96 13 4 |
| 1944-45 .. | 7 8 7 | 12 3 9 | 7 6 4 | 2 15 2 | 2 9 6 | 0 15 5 | 61 0 4 | 93 19 1 |
| 1945-46 .. | 11 2 7 | 8 19 7 | 7 9 2 | 2 17 4 | 3 0 0 | 0 17 3 | 60 14 7 | 95 0 6 |
| 1946-47 .. | 16 3 9 | 14 0 9 | 8 16 10 | 2 15 1 | 3 3 11 | 1 0 2 | 64 9 3 | 110 9 9 |
| 1947-48 .. | 24 2 1 | 20 11 10 | 9 10 4 | 2 19 8 | 3 11 4 | 1 2 2 | 76 12 0 | 138 9 5 |
| 1948-49 .. | 18 12 5 | 25 7 0 | 10 10 8 | 3 16 5 | 3 18 0 | 1 0 7 | 86 9 7 | 149 14 8 |
| 1949-50 .. | 24 16 9 | 35 14 0 | 12 10 5 | 3 18 1 | 4 5 9 | 1 0 10 | 101 0 6 | 183 6 4 |
| 1950-51 .. | 23 18 1 | 72 11 5 | 13 4 5 | 4 10 2 | 4 12 5 | 1 6 7 | 123 4 10 | 243 7 11 |
| 1951-52 .. | 27 16 10 | 43 7 4 | 17 0 3 | 5 11 1 | 5 8 9 | 1 16 7 | 145 5 6 | 246 6 4 |
| 1952-53 .. | 27 10 10 | 45 18 2 | 18 1 5 | 6 8 4 | 5 4 9 | 2 16 2 | 151 11 0 | 257 10 8 |

(a) See footnote (b) on page 40.

VICTORIA—PRODUCTION OF BLACK COAL AND BROWN COAL AND BRIQUETTES
MANUFACTURED.

| Period. | | | Black Coal. | Brown Coal. | | | | Briquettes Manu- factured (a) |
|-------------------------|------|------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| | | | | State Electricity Commission. | | Privately- operated Mines. | Total. | |
| | | | | Yallourn. | Yallourn North. | | | |
| Year ended December— | 31st | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | |
| 1939 | | 365 | 3,650 | .. | 1 | 3,651 | 415 | |
| 1940 | | 268 | 4,278 | .. | 2 | 4,280 | 428 | |
| 1941 | | 326 | 4,565 | .. | 1 | 4,566 | 419 | |
| 1942 | | 313 | 4,890 | 40 | 4 | 4,934 | 417 | |
| 1943 | | 287 | 5,038 | 43 | 11 | 5,092 | 411 | |
| 1944 | | 258 | 4,913 | 88 | 15 | 5,016 | 429 | |
| 1945 | | 247 | 5,366 | 48 | 31 | 5,445 | 455 | |
| 1946 | | 191 | 5,547 | 90 | 70 | 5,707 | 504 | |
| 1947 | | 174 | 5,791 | 153 | 196 | 6,140 | 514 | |
| 1948 | | 168 | 6,091 | 333 | 268 | 6,692 | 542 | |
| 1949 | | 123 | 6,321 | 644 | 410 | 7,375 | 577 | |
| 1950 | | 126 | 6,211 | 623 | 493 | 7,327 | 527 | |
| 1951 | | 148 | 6,314 | 927 | 595 | 7,836 | 563 | |
| 1952 | | 144 | 6,448 | 1,087 | 569 | 8,104 | 554 | |
| 1953 | | 152 | 6,475 | 1,242 | 540 | 8,257 | 560 | |
| 1952— | | | | | | | | |
| Sept. Quarter .. | | 43 | 1,643 | 303 | 155 | 2,101 | 132 | |
| Dec. Quarter .. | | 39 | 1,558 | 266 | 118 | 1,942 | 133 | |
| 1953— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter .. | | 39 | 1,503 | 301 | 106 | 1,910 | 135 | |
| June Quarter .. | | 30 | 1,686 | 312 | 122 | 2,120 | 146 | |
| Sept. Quarter .. | | 44 | 1,641 | 331 | 146 | 2,118 | 133 | |
| Dec. Quarter .. | | 39 | 1,645 | 298 | 166 | 2,109 | 146 | |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter .. | | 33 | 1,595 | 307 | 187 | 2,089 | 141 | |
| June Quarter .. | | 28 | 1,838 | 325 | 253 | 2,416 | 167 | |
| Sept. Quarter .. | | 41 | 1,874 | 349 | 260 | 2,483 | 159 | |

(a) The quantity of brown coal used in the manufacture of briquettes is included in previous columns in the figures of production by the State Electricity Commission.

VICTORIA—IMPORTS (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA) OF BLACK COAL.

| Period. | Interstate. | | | Oversea. | | | | Grand Total—Interstate and Oversea. |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| | From New South Wales. | From Queens-land. | Total. | From United Kingdom. | From India. | From South Africa. | Total. | |
| Year ended 31st December— | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. | '000 tons. |
| 1939 .. | 1,404 | .. | 1,404 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,404 |
| 1940 .. | 1,207 | .. | 1,207 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,207 |
| 1941 .. | 1,590 | .. | 1,590 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,590 |
| 1942 .. | 1,705 | .. | 1,705 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,705 |
| 1943 .. | 1,583 | .. | 1,583 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,583 |
| 1944 .. | 1,659 | .. | 1,659 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,659 |
| 1945 .. | 1,472 | .. | 1,472 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,472 |
| 1946 .. | 1,504 | .. | 1,504 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,504 |
| 1947 .. | 1,413 | .. | 1,413 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,413 |
| 1948 .. | 1,440 | .. | 1,440 | 24 | .. | .. | 24 | 1,464 |
| 1949 .. | 1,197 | .. | 1,197 | 145 | 185 | 24 | 354 | 1,551 |
| 1950 .. | 1,144 | 8 | 1,152 | .. | 211 | 217 | 428 | 1,580 |
| 1951 .. | 1,236 | 72 | 1,308 | .. | 139 | 72 | 211 | 1,519 |
| 1952 .. | 1,488 | 166 | 1,654 | .. | 200 | .. | 200 | 1,854 |
| 1953 .. | 1,262 | 160 | 1,422 | .. | 17 | .. | 17 | 1,439 |
| 1953— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter | 248 | 50 | 298 | .. | 17 | .. | 17 | 315 |
| June Quarter | 246 | 62 | 308 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 308 |
| Sept. Quarter | 385 | 24 | 409 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 409 |
| Dec. Quarter | 383 | 24 | 407 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 407 |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter | 273 | 20 | 293 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 293 |
| June Quarter | 317 | 39 | 356 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 356 |
| Sept. Quarter | | | | | | | | |

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA—ELECTRICITY GENERATED AND SENT OUT.

| Period. | Electricity Generated— | | | Electricity Sent Out from Generating Stations— | | |
|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|-------------------|---------------|
| | Hydro Stations. | Thermal Stations. | Total. | Hydro Stations. | Thermal Stations. | Total. |
| | kWh millions. | kWh millions. | kWh millions. | kWh millions. | kWh millions. | kWh millions. |
| 1938-39 Year .. | 103·2 | 824·1 | 927·3 | 102·8 | 739·2 | 842·0 |
| 1949-50 .. | 176·0 | 2,186·8 | 2,362·8 | 173·7 | 2,063·1 | 2,236·8 |
| 1950-51 .. | 194·2 | 2,411·3 | 2,605·5 | 191·7 | 2,276·2 | 2,467·9 |
| 1951-52 .. | 226·4 | 2,565·3 | 2,791·7 | 224·1 | 2,420·5 | 2,644·6 |
| 1952-53 .. | 234·9 | 2,785·5 | 3,020·4 | 232·2 | 2,622·4 | 2,854·6 |
| 1953-54 .. | 154·9 | 3,347·5 | 3,502·4 | 151·4 | 3,149·5 | 3,300·9 |
| 1952-53— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 80·7 | 692·5 | 773·2 | 79·9 | 652·9 | 732·8 |
| December Quarter | 87·7 | 630·4 | 718·1 | 86·9 | 591·3 | 678·2 |
| March Quarter | 42·5 | 661·6 | 704·1 | 42·0 | 621·8 | 663·8 |
| June Quarter .. | 24·0 | 801·0 | 825·0 | 23·4 | 756·4 | 779·8 |
| 1953-54— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 53·4 | 847·1 | 900·5 | 52·5 | 801·2 | 853·7 |
| December Quarter | 60·4 | 767·0 | 827·4 | 59·5 | 722·4 | 781·9 |
| March Quarter .. | 16·6 | 801·1 | 817·7 | 15·5 | 754·5 | 770·0 |
| June Quarter .. | 24·5 | 932·3 | 956·8 | 23·9 | 871·4 | 895·3 |
| 1954-55— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter | 52·7 | 988·6 | 1,041·3 | 50·8 | 926·9 | 977·7 |

Note.—Figures above of electricity generated by the State Electricity Commission (including Melbourne City Council Power House, Spencer-street) represented in 1953-54, 98·6 per cent. of the total generated by all authorities in Victoria.

IX.—MISCELLANEOUS.

GREATER MELBOURNE(a)—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY MUNICIPALITIES.

| Period. | | | New Buildings— | | | | Alterations and Additions. | | Total. | |
|---------|-----------------------|----|---|--------|------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.). | | Other Buildings. | | | | | |
| | | | No. | Value. | No. | Value. | No. | Value. | No. | Value. |
| | | | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| 1938 | Year | .. | 5,333 | 5,318 | 531 | 1,641 | 6,124 | 1,446 | 11,988 | 8,405 |
| 1939 | " | .. | 5,148 | 5,370 | 483 | 1,655 | 6,113 | 1,658 | 11,744 | 8,683 |
| 1946 | " | .. | 7,292 | 9,875 | 241 | 1,314 | 7,882 | 1,520 | 15,415 | 12,709 |
| 1947 | " | .. | 8,787 | 13,685 | 476 | 2,156 | 6,664 | 2,057 | 15,927 | 17,898 |
| 1948 | " | .. | 8,531 | 14,837 | 371 | 1,660 | 6,090 | 2,217 | 14,992 | 18,714 |
| 1949 | " | .. | 10,768 | 20,391 | 331 | 1,846 | 6,920 | 2,142 | 18,019 | 24,379 |
| 1950 | " | .. | 12,268 | 26,343 | 467 | 3,045 | 10,368 | 3,185 | 23,103 | 32,573 |
| 1951 | " | .. | 11,110 | 29,462 | 593 | 4,706 | 17,450 | 5,639 | 29,153 | 39,807 |
| 1952 | " | .. | 6,621 | 18,916 | 777 | 6,299 | 17,212 | 6,584 | 24,610 | 31,799 |
| 1953 | " | .. | 8,671 | 25,823 | 1,311 | 7,400 | 17,713 | 7,182 | 27,695 | 40,405 |
| 1953— | | | | | | | | | | |
| | March Quarter | .. | 1,821 | 5,282 | 274 | 1,338 | 4,159 | 1,685 | 6,254 | 8,305 |
| | June Quarter | .. | 2,087 | 6,124 | 351 | 1,590 | 4,777 | 1,751 | 7,215 | 9,465 |
| | September Quarter | .. | 2,467 | 7,195 | 385 | 2,175 | 4,551 | 1,907 | 7,403 | 11,277 |
| | December Quarter | .. | 2,296 | 7,222 | 301 | 2,297 | 4,226 | 1,839 | 6,823 | 11,358 |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | | | |
| | March Quarter (b) | .. | 2,304 | 7,017 | 262 | 2,242 | 4,080 | 1,566 | 6,646 | 10,825 |
| | " " (c) | .. | 2,970 | 8,661 | 320 | 5,190 | 4,460 | 1,687 | 7,750 | 15,538 |
| | June Quarter (b) | .. | 2,679 | 8,137 | 366 | 4,246 | 4,525 | 2,500 | 7,570 | 14,883 |
| | " " (c) | .. | 3,365 | 9,849 | 448 | 4,564 | 5,021 | 2,707 | 8,834 | 17,120 |
| | September Quarter (b) | .. | 3,052 | 10,123 | 346 | 2,177 | 4,721 | 2,407 | 8,119 | 14,707 |
| | " " (c) | .. | 3,764 | 11,906 | 431 | 2,459 | 5,232 | 2,577 | 9,427 | 16,942 |

(a) As from 1st January, 1954, the metropolitan area was re-defined for statistical purposes by the inclusion of additional municipal areas.

(b) Municipal areas in metropolis prior to 1st January, 1954. Particulars are comparable with previous quarterly and yearly figures.

(c) Municipal areas in metropolis as from 1st January, 1954.

Note.—The above statement includes War Service Homes dwellings but excludes Housing Commission and other Government buildings.

VICTORIA—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY TEN(a) PROVINCIAL MUNICIPALITIES.

| Period. | New Buildings— | | | | Alterations and Additions. | | Total. | |
|----------------------|---|--------|------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.). | | Other Buildings. | | | | | |
| | No. | Value. | No. | Value. | No. | Value. | No. | Value. |
| | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| 1939 Year | 647 | 460 | 59 | 107 | 619 | 153 | 1,325 | 720 |
| 1945 " | 218 | 206 | 23 | 34 | 646 | 94 | 887 | 334 |
| 1946 " | 693 | 768 | 39 | 34 | 1,096 | 160 | 1,828 | 962 |
| 1947 " | 819 | 1,032 | 47 | 99 | 937 | 162 | 1,803 | 1,293 |
| 1948 " | 800 | 1,203 | 33 | 443 | 832 | 251 | 1,665 | 1,897 |
| 1949 " | 1,060 | 1,793 | 41 | 585 | 1,149 | 275 | 2,250 | 2,653 |
| 1950 " | 1,280 | 2,446 | 29 | 118 | 1,172 | 429 | 2,481 | 2,993 |
| 1951 " | 1,072 | 2,469 | 60 | 572 | 1,369 | 362 | 2,501 | 3,403 |
| 1952 " | 657 | 1,587 | 95 | 642 | 1,363 | 604 | 2,115 | 2,833 |
| 1953 " | 787 | 2,075 | 150 | 1,173 | 1,473 | 712 | 2,410 | 3,960 |
| 1952— | | | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 180 | 447 | 30 | 210 | 344 | 276 | 554 | 933 |
| December Quarter .. | 164 | 406 | 28 | 59 | 354 | 141 | 546 | 606 |
| 1953— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter .. | 154 | 407 | 34 | 148 | 310 | 166 | 498 | 721 |
| June Quarter .. | 197 | 514 | 34 | 419 | 420 | 234 | 651 | 1,167 |
| September Quarter .. | 226 | 606 | 50 | 327 | 384 | 152 | 660 | 1,085 |
| December Quarter .. | 210 | 548 | 32 | 279 | 359 | 160 | 601 | 987 |
| 1954— | | | | | | | | |
| March Quarter .. | 188 | 536 | 30 | 169 | 305 | 129 | 523 | 834 |
| June Quarter .. | 220 | 652 | 36 | 348 | 427 | 166 | 683 | 1,166 |
| September Quarter .. | 317 | 914 | 59 | 566 | 481 | 322 | 857 | 1,802 |

(a) Includes the Cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Geelong West, Horsham, Mildura, Newtown and Chilwell, Sale, Shepparton, and Warrnambool.

Note.—The above statement includes War Service Homes dwellings but excludes Housing Commission and other Government buildings.

HOUSING COMMISSION OF VICTORIA.

| Period. | Contracts Let(a) during Period for the erection of Dwelling Units. | | | Dwelling Units Completed during Period. | | |
|---|---|----------------------------------|--------|--|----------------------------------|--------|
| | Metropolitan Area. | Outside Metropolitan Area. | Total. | Metropolitan Area. | Outside Metropolitan Area. | Total. |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| Prior to 1942-43 .. | 1,092 | 135 | 1,227 | 1,080 | 135 | 1,215 |
| 1942-43 Year .. | 116 | .. | 116 | 79 | .. | 79 |
| 1943-44 " .. | 323 | 75 | 398 | 118 | .. | 118 |
| 1944-45 " .. | 747 | 345 | 1,092 | 495 | 115 | 610 |
| 1945-46 " .. | 1,677 | 677 | 2,354 | 889 | 204 | 1,093 |
| 1946-47 " .. | 2,069 | 930 | 2,999 | 921 | 570 | 1,491 |
| 1947-48 " .. | 1,281 | 919 | 2,200 | 1,388 | 791 | 2,179 |
| 1948-49 " .. | 1,221 | 626 | 1,847 | 1,453 | 904 | 2,357 |
| 1949-50 " .. | 1,287 | 1,183 | 2,470 | 1,479 | 975 | 2,454 |
| 1950-51 " .. | 1,575 | 1,439 | 3,014 | 1,365 | 1,334 | 2,699 |
| 1951-52 " .. | 931 | 2,039 | 2,970 | 1,428 | 1,542 | 2,970 |
| 1952-53 " .. | 1,528 | 2,032 | 3,560 | 1,573 | 1,665 | 3,238 |
| 1953-54 " .. | 2,605(b) | 718 | 3,323 | 2,140 | 1,450 | 3,590 |
| 1952-53— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 378 | 167 | 545 | 332 | 375 | 707 |
| December Quarter .. | 518 | 1,450 | 1,968 | 495 | 658 | 1,153 |
| March Quarter .. | 295 | 168 | 463 | 309 | 227 | 536 |
| June Quarter .. | 337 | 247 | 584 | 437 | 405 | 842 |
| 1953-54— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 520 | 123 | 643 | 567 | 437 | 1,004 |
| December Quarter .. | 638 | 250 | 888 | 498 | 480 | 978 |
| March Quarter .. | 633(b) | 231 | 864 | 378(b) | 200 | 578 |
| June Quarter .. | 814(b) | 114 | 928 | 697(b) | 333 | 1,030 |
| 1954-55— | | | | | | |
| September Quarter .. | 766 | 167 | 933 | 742(b) | 437 | 1,179 |
| Grand Total to 30th September, 1954 .. | 17,218 | 11,285(c) | 28,503 | 15,150 | 10,122(c) | 25,272 |

(a) Including work performed by day labour. The date of the letting of the first contract was 31st July, 1939.

(b) Figures relate to the metropolitan area as re-defined for statistical purposes from 1st January, 1954.

(c) Including to 31st December, 1953, information relating to municipal areas incorporated in the metropolitan area as from 1st January, 1954, viz:—

| | Contracts for Dwelling Units. | Dwelling Units Completed. |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Shire of Dandenong | 362 | 227 |
| Shire of Frankston and Hastings .. | 106 | 103 |

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of houses erected by the Housing Commission of Victoria for the Commonwealth War Workers' Housing Trust, viz., 234 at Sunshine and 34 at Coburg.